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Argentine imports banned

All imports from Argentina into Britain were banned from midnight last night. The embargo was announced by
mrs Thatcher in the House of
Commons. All import
licences were revoked with
immediate effect but applications from British importers for licences to import goods which were in transit before the ban came into effect will be given special consideration. Page 5

Naval forces rendezvous

Part of the British navalforce bound for the Falklands were in rendezvous in
the South Western approaches yesterday. At the
same time HMS invincible,
one of the two carriers,
began bringing its Harrier
jets and Sea King helicopters
to full operational capacity
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Air superiority may be crucial

Air superiority could be crucial in determining any confrontation between confrontation between British and Argentaine forces in the South Atlantic. but achieving it could present Royal Navy commanders with their greatest problems

Page 4

Expatriates fearful

British expatriates in Buenos
Aires are afraid of what the
future has in store for them.
The easy atmosphere which
they enjoyed has disappeared
and they wonder whether
their days in Argentina may
shortly be over Page S

Oil a key

Oil is now emerging as a key factor in any prespective agreement which might be reached between Britain. Argentine and the United States for resolving the Falkland Islands crisis Page 4



Osvaldo Ardiles, the Argentine who plays for Tottenham Hotspur, arriving at Buenos Aires air-port to play for Argentina in the World cup. He said he fully backed the Pal-klands invasion.

Falklands crisis Parliament United States role Maps confiscated; Diary 10 Leading article, letters 11 Frank Johnson

Licensed to drill

Oil production licences covering some of the prettiest parts of Dorset, Someset, and the Hampshire-Sussex border were issued by Mr Nigel Lawson, Secretary for Energy, to a consortium of small companies Page 13

Haig warning: A proposed freeze on new nuclear weapons would place Western civilization at risk and increase the likelihood of global devastation, Mr Alexander Haig, the United States Secretary of State, said Page 7

Strike pact blow

Hopes that the Government might negotiate a "no strike pact" with any of the powerful public sector unions were dashed when the Electrical Power Engineers' Association decided to oppose any such agreement Page 2

Leader page, 11 Letters: On the Falklands, from Gen Sir Robert Ford, and others; glue-sniffing, from Mr N. C. MacDonald church unity, from Lord Leading articles: Falklands

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Henry Fairlie describes the pro-British surge in Washington over the Falklands crisis: Labour's many-sided ballot box; 45 years of The Dandy. Obituary, page 12 Mr Martin Battersby, Professor Norman Haycocks

Government's new assessment

Galtieri 'did not know of Falklands invasion'

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

The Government believes British intelligence was oper-that the invasion of the ating properly, and, if so, falkland Islands by Argentina what action was taken, and may have been carried out by Mr David Steel, the Liberal nationalist-minded admirals against the wished of President Galtieri and without his foreknowledge. This had spoken of the Govern-ment receiving a warning of an attack "about a fortnight

dent Galtieri and without his foreknowledge. This accounts, ir was suggested yesterday, for what in retrospect is clearly seen as a defective assessment of intelligence available in London. The Argentine fleet was reported on March 29 to have put to sea for joint manoeuvres with the Uruguayan Navy which had

That evening, Mrs Thatch upset by Benn er called a crisis meeting in her room at the Commons.

Last night Mr No Lord Carrington, the Foreign Secretary unforewarned of the reality of the crisis, was in Tel Aviv having left

it was too late to take tary seats.

miliatary action to forestall [] Mr Wedgewood Benn yesit. Instead moves were begun terday upset a painstaking
to gather diplomatic support attempt to achieve a united to gather diplomatic support and to notify our allies that there would be a military riposte. The exercise to secure support for Britain in the Security Council was put in hand and preparations were made for the task force to sail as soon possible.

Time for resolution says Mrs Thatcher

In the Commons yesterday, Mrs Thatcher confirmed that last Wednesday evening — March 31 — was the precise time at which she learnt that the Argentian invasion fleet was on its way. She was pressed by Mr Michael Foot, the leader of the opposition, to comment on the report in The Times yesterday from Simon Winchester in Buenos Aires that information about Aires that information about the attack was transmitted to London 10 days earlier. In reply Mrs Thatcher pointed out that the intelligence sources quoted in the report said that London was told of the existence of the force on March 29 "though not of its

Argentina appears to be

making extensive contin-

that they were fully confident of resisting any British

attack on the Falklands. The

land forces would theoreti-

cally have a huge built-in

advantage over attackers coming from the sea and

Britain would require 15,000

troops to overcome the 5,000 to 6,000 Argentines who soon

would be in position on the

The sources thought that

Britain's greatest problem would be inferiority in the air and lack of logistical

support for its ships.

The euphoria that gripped Argentina after the invasion

Falklands.

leader, recalled that Mr Luce

Mrs Thatcher replied that they knew there were prob-lems on South Georgia, but the threat to Port Stanley and the Falkland Islands Came to her on March 31.

Mrs Thatcher also told the
Commons that the Govern-

manoeuvres with the Uruguayan Navy, which had
frequently been held in the
past. Before they sailed
intelligence sources in Buenos Aires made known their
imminent departure, as reported in The Times yesterday. Their movements at sea
were also noted and reported
the daily intelligence
digests prepared for the
Prime Minister, the Foreign
Secretary.
But not till March 31—two
days before the invasion did
it become clear to the
intelligence sources, it is now
claimed, that the Argentine
from midnight last night.

Mrs Thatcher declined a
Labour backbencher's
suggestion that she should
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resignation". The uncertain
mood of the Commons
is the time for resolution, not
resignation". The uncertain
days after the angry debate
last Saturday, will be tested
today in a further full day of
debates in which Mr Francis
Spyn, 48 hours after his
appronument as Foreign Secretary, will open for the
Government. Mr John Nott,
the Defence Secretary, will
wind up.

Labour unity

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Last night Mr Nott, who made a disastrous speech on Saturday, was well received at a crowded meeting of the Conservative backbench dein Tel Aviw having left
London the previous evening.

The Prime Minister consulted for five hours, until nearly midnight, with Mr Humphrey Atkins, Lord Carrington's deputy, and with Mr Richard Luce, the Foreign Office Minister of State who was dealing with the Falklands. Also present week. Sir Anthony Acland, who is to take over as the Foreign Office next week. Sir Frank Cooper, Leader, is working on the

at the Foreign Office next Mr David Steel, the Liberal week, Sir Frank Cooper, Leader, is working on the Permanent Under-Secretary assumption that the crisis for Defence, and Admiral Sir may destroy the Government. Henry Leach, the Chief of In cases of an early general Naval Staff. Naval Staff. election, he is urging his For the first time it was party negotiators to complete clear to the ministers and quickly their negotiations their advisers that the in- with the Social Democrats on vasion was imminent and that

Labour Party attitude to the invasion of the Falklands and in so doing exposed a serious split in the left over the recover the territories (Philip. Webster writes).

As it emerged that the Labour leadership's position in today's Commons debate will be that force as a last resort if all else fails should be backed, Mr Benn infuriated his colleagues on the party's international com-mittee by opposing the send-ing of the naval task force to the South Atlantic and insisting on a vote on the issue, in which he was defeated by only one vote.

Mr Benn incensed some the meeting by moving an amendment proposing that Labour should oppose the sending of the force which, he said, could lead to blood-

He ignored an appeal from Miss Joan Lestor, the committee chairman, to withdraw it in the interests of preserving the consensus that had been arrived at. The amendant the Mr Foot said the House committee then went on to had the right to judge if pass by 11 votes to nil.



£2,100m off shares and pound tumbles

By David Blake, Economics Editor

recovery

yet known.

The pound and shares both fell sharply yesterday as push up raw material costs concern mounted about the and lead to a new surge in mpact of Britain's dispute prices. The Government was

with Argentina.

Sterling closed at its lowest bringing the exchange rate level against the dollar since September 1977, down 1.85 cents at \$1.7495. Its effective style run on the pound. rate against all currencies
was down to 89.4 per cent of
its 1975 level, a drop of 0.9
percentage points. The Bank
of England spent an estimated \$100m (£57m) slowing

A drop against the

down the slide.

Shares were marked down heavily early in a day that are thought to have particushowed signs of a panic reaction. At one stage the FT Britain's chance to tompete 30.653456 index had fallen 17.6 in world markets. A small points for 542.3, but it later devaluation of sterling could recovered in close 6.9 points lead to stronger British down at 553.0. £2,100m was exports and lower imports. down at 553.0. £2,100m was exports and lower imports, wiped off the value of shares thus by the close. recov

offits also fell sharply and interest rates in the medium-term market edged up. There also a sharp surge in the gold price, which closed \$11.75 up at \$349.50.

The Government has desided more to use Britain's continuous forms and sharp surge in the gold price will be some extra defence spending on items such as fuel and stores, though the cost of this is not the same transport.

The Government has decided not to use Britain's reserves of foreign exchange to prop up the pound. Any intervention in the markets by the Bank of England will be limited to smoothing out violent fluctuations.

Even before the Falkands crisis blew up, the Treasury had been reconciled to a devaluation of the pound in effective terms of about 5 per cept. But a bigger drop than that, unless caused in a way which would not boost in national financial centre may flation, would be resisted by be harmed by the freezing of of higher interest Argentine assets.

Britain's gold and foreign about \$19,600m. The Governmemt thinks it would be a waste of that money to use it propping up the pound. Any measures to defend sterling will take the form of higher interest rates in the United Kingdom. There are no plans to re-introduce exchange

Although sterling's effecstyle exchange rate has been stable at about 90 per cent of its 1975 level for many months, the Government has not been pursuing that level as a target. An exchange rate slightly above R5 per cent of slightly above 85 per cent of its 1975 level is thought to pose few inflationary risks.

4 nuclear submarines out on patrol'

Craig Seton and Henry Stanhope

As many as four British nuclear-powered submarines could be on the way to the Faikland Islands — or already there.

Four of the six hunter-killer boats normally based at
Devonport are said to be "out
on patrol", including HMS
Superb which is assumed by
now to be in the Falkland
Islands, waters. The others
are her 4,500-ton sister
Swiftsure-class submarines
Scenter, Spartan and Splen-Sceptre, Spartan and Splen-

Regiment, currently the Army's spearhead unit, are to sail on the requisitioned helping industrial cruise liner, Canberra.

Shore leave has been Shore leave has been cancelled for sailors from six frigates which returned to Plymouth yesterday after the exercise Spring Train. It is expected that at least some and possibly all six — HMS Battleaxe, Euryalus, Aurora, Dido, Active and Ariadne — will be refuelled and resupplied, then turned round again and sent after the other ships of the Falkland Islands task No decision will be taken until later in the financial year on whether this justifies increasing the defence budget. There will also be renewed pressure to reverse of the Falkland Islands task

renewed pressure to reverse recent cuts in defence spending, especially in the navy. Industry will be little affected by the ban on imports from Argentina announced last night. But London's status as an inter-The 6,000-ton logistic landing ships Sir Galahad and Sir Geraint sailed from Plymouth carrying Royal Marines and supporting Army units from the Royal Engineers and Royal Artillery with 105mm light guns. Trucks and heli-Finance Bill, page 24 copters could also be seen on

deck as they left before a waving crowd of several hundred families. At Portsmouth, the County Class destroyer Fife was said to be undergoing prepara-tions to put to sea. But then everywhere was a scene of frantic endeavour as the Royal Navy fought to get the rest of its massive task force to see in time.

The call to arms was not universally endorsed. Shipyard workers who were asked to sail yesterday on HMS Fearless with the Royal Marines to complete unfinished work, refused on the grounds no-one could tell them when they would return
- and the work will now have
to be finished by sailors.

Seafaring unions have also complained of lack of consul-tation over the requisitioning of ships for the task force and a meeting of the Mari-time Board agreed that the men involved in crewing the ships should be given com-pensation totalling 150 per cent of their basic earnings. News of their disconten coincided with a report that Britain's biggest and most powerful tug, the Salvageman of Hull, had been taken over by the Government to assis in the operation.

At Southampton Docks police imposed tight security as heavy military equipmen including Scorpion light port to await shipment.

The Scorpions were be-lieved to belong to two reconnaissance troops of the Blues and Royals, one of the two Household Cavalry regi-ments. They were being loaded on the 8,500-ton rollon roll-off container ship Elk, which normally plies the North Sea route to Sweden from Middlesbrough, but which has now been requi-sitioned from P and O Lines.

Reporters described a scene of impressive activity continued on back page, col 1

The new Cabinet minister is 65 and his appointmnte, one of 11 announced from Downing Street last night, completes the Government changes caused by this week's Foreign Office resig-Two other changes of title were announced by the Prime Minister. Lady Young, the leader of the LOrds, relinquishes the office of Chancellor of the Duchy of

reasury.

Lancaster and takes up the new title of Lord Privy Seal, an office freed on the resignation of Mr Humphrey Atkins from the Foreign Anothe Cabinet Minister, Mr Cecil Parkinson, Pay-master General, also becomes Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, He remains chairman of the Conservative Party, but MPs last night noted with interest that Mrs Thatcher had made her decision on whether to put

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ministry

him in charge of Government Propaganda in place of Mr The Prime Minister also announced four further changes at the Foreign Office. Lord Belstead has been promoted from Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Home Office to become Minister of State at the Foreign Office. He will be joined by Mr Cranley Onslow, promoted from the backbenches, as the fourth minister of state in the

department.
Mr Douglas Hurd, Minister
of State under Lord Carringof State under Lord Carring-ton, becomes the departmen-tal number two, and Mr Neil Marten remains Minister of State with responsibility for overseas development and

Meanwhile it was disclosed that 650 men of the 3rd a Parliamentary Under-Battalion of the Parachute Secretary at the Foreign have dried up and there have a protested that the ton, is transferred to the Department of Health and Social Security, as a Parlia-mentary Under-Secretary, and is replaced by Mr Malcolm Rifkind, Edinburgh, Pentlands, a Parliamentary Under-Secretary from the Scottish Office.

Another promotion has gone to Mr John Wakeham, Maldon, who switches from Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Department of Industry to replace Lord Cockfield.

Lord Belstead is replaced by Lord Elton as Parliamen-tary Under-Secretary at the Home Office.

Hug a tree to save a forest

From Trevor Fishlock Delhi, April 6 By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent

In poignant defiance of The Prime Minister last The Prime Minister last night announced the apointment of Lord Cookfield, a former civil servant with the Board of Inland Revenue. and former chairman of the Price Commission, as Secretary of State for Trade. Lord Cookfield, who replaces Mr John Biffen, the new Leader of the Commons, is promoted from his post as Minister of State at the Treasury. contractors wrecking the forests of India, villagers have taken to hugging trees to save them from axes and

to save them from tacts and chainsaws.

The Chipko movement — Chipko is the Hindi word for hug — is a symptom of growing concern about the widespread and indisciminate destruction of forests and the resulting increase in flooding and landslips. and landslips. Vast tracts of the Hima-

layas and other regions have been laid waste by contrac-tors who bribe the officials whose job is to protect the forests. A government official says India is heading for an ecological disaster.

By wrapping their bodies around trees when cutters approach, villagers draw attention to what is widely seen as unscrupulous plundering. In 30 years, according to official estimates, India has lost more than 17,000 square miles of forest, an area greater than Holland. The actual loss may be greater than this. In the Himalayan belt, from Kashmir to Assam, once covered with majestic forests, the slopes have been denuded below 6,000ft.

A recept estimate put India's forests at 135,000 square miles, about a tenth of the country. It makes a mockery of the 1952 forest policy which aimed to raise the forest cover from a fifth to a third of the land area. Although most of the great forest areas have suffered, the damage has been most serious in the north. The government of the state of

Kashmir recently admitted that a number of famous forests had been obliterated. In the neighbouring mountain state of Himachal Pra-desh the tree cover, two fifths 20 years ago, has been halved. There is even worse damage in parts of Uttar Pradesh along the southern slopes of Nepal.

Without tree cover the topsoil is being washed away, leaving large stretches of land barren and increasing the silting and flood potential of the great rivers which are the arteries of the northern

tists have protested that the ecological systems of forest areas are being ruined. A rapidly growing population, human and animal, is making severe demands on forest areas. There is a shortage of timber and of firewood, the most important cooking fuel. The need for timber is being met by contractors whose devestigations have not been countered. tations have not been countered or made good by the government. The emphasis has been on making money out of trees, while replanting

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Huge build-up of men and arms From Christopher Thomas Buenos Aires, April 6

Britain would welcome islanders

All the 1,800 Falkland Islanders would be welmaking extensive contingency plans against what it sees as a serious possibility of a British attempt to bombard key military posts. It is admitting an enormons build-up of military personnel and hardware on the Falkland Islands. Some big Army basis in Argentina are now virtually empty.

Military sources said today that they were fully conficome in Britain, even though some of them do mongn some of them do not have the automatic right of abide in the United Kingdom, the Home Office said yesterday, Most of the islanders are citizens of the United Kingdom and Colonies, but about 300 of them and

has largely given way to deep concern at the prospects of

military confrontation. The

Soviet Union, which relies

heavily on Argentine grain

has fermall: expressed con-

cern to the military junta

that a naval blockade by Britain might disrupt the

supplies.
That would have a disas-

trous effect in the Soviet

Union, which buys 75 per

exports, and is Argentina's

The grain composed mostly

cent of Argentina's grain

biggest trade partner.

their children do not have the automatic right to live permanently in Britain under the present immi-gration rules because neither their parents nor grandparents were born in Britain. The Home Office, however, said that in view of the situation they would all be admitted if the need

of corn, is being harvested at the moment and is scheduled for shipment in the next few

Mr Alexei Manzbulo, the Soviet Deputy Minister of Foreign Trade, who is in Buenos Aires to negotiate increased trade between the countries, expressed alarm at the possible disruption of Soviet-chartered grain

The Soviet Union buys 38 Falklands (Reuter reports), per cent of all Argentine exports and trade between the countries totals \$3,400m the first time.

(£1,880m) a year. Only \$67m worth of that is represented by Argentine imports and the Soviet Union is putting strong pressure on the junta substantially to increase imports, particularly of heavy machine goods and power supply equipment. The Argentine military preparations are concen-trated at Comodoro Rivada-

it's worse than

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via, a port about 900 miles south of Buenos Aires which was used as the bridgehead Newspapers in Buenos Aires are still adopting a jingoistic approach to the crisis. The official news agency, Telan, today released a story about the alleged discovery of drugs in the barracks used by the British Marines. The headline said: "Examples of decadence of the British Empire".

☐ Moscow: Tass blamed Britain for the dispute saying that it should have withdrawn from the Mr and Mrs Duncan: 'It's a dream coming true and worth every penny'

Third time lucky for test-tube mother

headmaster of a 1,000 papil school

test-tube twins on the way in Britain.

attempts to implant a fertilized ovum

the uterus are successful, (Our Medic

Correspondent writes). In order increase the likelihood of success son

gynaecologists are now using more the one oyum at a time. This will result in

higher than normal incidence of twi

More than one attempt can be made

implantation but each requires the patient to be admitted to hospital for

□ Only a small proportion of

The Steptoe clinic is maintaining i usual confidentiality by refusing the discuss whether there are any other

SUMMARY 'Mountain' of railway arrears

if the Government approved electrification nown the railways might not be able to implement it, Sir Peter Parker, British Rail Chairman, said yesterday (Michael Baily). That was because the railways were facing a mountain of arrears in necessary expenditure. Addressing a rally of rail

pensioners at Euston, Sir Peter declared that present regretted in the longer term. British Rail had hit all its targets in the past five years but "we can meet our financial targets and still fail

the future".

His warning was echoed by
Sir Henry Johnson, a former
railway chairman, he said
that with the most cost effective railway in Europe Britain was failing to apply consistent policies and in-vestment. The public were getting angry and railway-men were blamed.

Appealing to the Government to help the railways after the recent "shattering setback", the chairman of the pensioners, Mr Frank Hick, a former railway oper-ator, said: "We have watched with great sadness the cur-rent dispute and tearing apart of our railway inherit-

MPs to protest against Reagan

A group of Labour MPs yesterday announced plans to dub President Reagan "an enemy of peace" during his visit to Britain in June. They visit to Britain in June. They have formed a Reagan Reception Committee, already backed by Mr Wedgwood Benn and more than 30 other Labour MPs, to organize protests during his visit.

MPs are expected to join pickets against the President at Heathrow, Windsor Castle and the United States Embassy.

bassy.
When he is received by both Houses of Parliament on June 8, the "reception committee" plans an alterna-tive meeting in Parliament's

gr and committee room.

Mr Ernest Roberts, the committee chairman, said in London the group did not regard the American people as an enemy, but that Mr Reagan was "an enemy of peace." His motive with his Falklands initiative was Falklands initiative was to avoid a war in his own backyard, Mr Roberts, MP for Hackney, North, and Stoke Newington, said.

Benefit cut for school-leavers

Up to 350,000 families will affecting school-leavers. Mr 113 of the Rules of the Norman Fowler, Secretary of Supreme Court. That deals state for Social Services, with the recovery of premannounced yesterday that ises from squatters. None of child benefit will be with-State for Social Services, announced yesterday that child benefit will be with-drawn for any school-leaver getting either a place on a action.
Youth Opportunities Pro- It will gramme or a full-time job during school holiday periods (Pat Healey writes). In a to go to court to recover written answer yesterday Mr Fowler said it was difficult to justify continuing payment pation. In 1975 the managejustify continuing payment of child benefit for young people who got full-time work during the holidays. Pation. In 1975 the management were shut out for six weeks before the strikers were ejected.

Power engineers dash hopes for strike pact

By Donald Macinytre, Labour Correspondent

Mr Aldous told delegates

that while the Conservatives

Opposing the motion, Mr Peter Randall, from Reading,

said that the strike weapon had come to be seen as a "sort of trade union virility symbol", and added: "Are we ever likely to use it, and if we do will it be effective?"

Mr. I vons's warning that

Mr Lyons's warning that industrial action was possible

in the near future came during a debate about the

Electricity Council's two-month delay in making a pay offer to engineers and man-

agers, who earn between £5,635 and £23,150 per year.

f5,635 and f23,150 per year. The association fears that differentials over manual workers will be eroded to maintain the gap between the top of their pay scale and the f23,500 earned by the lowest-paid area board members. Mr Lyons said that engineers

and managers were becoming "the meat in the sandwich" between board members and

manual workers.

Mr Nigel Lawson, Secretary of State for Energy, who cancelled a visit to York because of yesterday's emergency Cabinet meeting, escaped what would almost certainly have been a rough

ride from delegates angry about the dismissal of Mi

Prospects of the present could embody a no-strike Government negotiating a no-strikes agreement with the protecting the earnings of higger public sector groups the union's members, he bigger public sector groups the were extinguished yesterday when delegates of the Electrical Power Engineers' Association, whose 38,000 members had not since assuming control supplies to the office come up with any firm National Grid, voted over-whelmingly "not to enter in he believed they might do so National Grid, voted over proposals for a no-strike pact whelmingly "not to enter in he believed they might do so to any agrement with the in the next year or so in an employing boards that reattempt to buy popularity moves the right to strike."

moves the right to strike."

The move came as the union's conference in York was told by Mr John Lyons, the general secretary, that industrial action was "very possibly unavoidable" if the Electricity Council failed to maintain pay differentials enjoyed by engineers and managers over the industry's 90,000 manual workers.

The power engineers' as-

The power engineers' association, one of the most powerful and moderate of TUC-affiliated unions, is thought to have been almost the only one to take up informally the idea of a nostrike deal when it was floated by the Opposition during the 1978 to 1979 "winter of discontent."

Only a few hands were raised yesterday againt te call to oppose such a pact, proposed by Mr Tony Aldous, of the union's head-quarters branch. Mr Aldous said it would be wrong for the union "to sell the right to strike for 30 pieces of silver".

Backing the anti-pact mo-

Backing the anti-pact motion, Mr Lyons said: "We have never set out to hold the country to ransom over greedy pay claims. However, when you see how the employers behave when you have the right to strike, how do you imagine they would carry on if you were without

legal arrangement

Firm seeks to regain threat factory to save pit

By Clifford Webb

Massey Ferguson will apply to the High Court today for an order to regain possession of its Coventry tractor plant from striking pickets who have barricaded themselves inside and refused to admit management and staff for the

shop stewards and members of the strike committee at the factory gates yesterday. A company representative also announced through a loud hailer that application was being made to a judge in chambers today under Order 113 of the Rules of the coking coal, was one of 23 being influences by the more realistic attitude now being adopted by the TUC general adopted by the TUC general council are discussed in a pamphlet, Labour Prejudices and Reality, published yesterday by the Labour Movement for Europe.

Mr. Denis Howell, MP for to contest the company's

It will be the third time in seven years that the Cana-dian-owned company has had

An application to go into those reserves will be con-sidered on April 22, and the miners hope that the develop-Hugh Jones is incurable.

> tainly approved. of the Kent area, made clear yesterday that an extended stoppage in the coalfield would be spread rapidly to other areas through flying nickets.

Kent miners will also seek the sacking of the union's national executive under its new president, Mr Arthur Scargill, who was elected on a "no pit closure for econ-

Mine strike

By Paul Routledge

Industrial action that could spread throughout the mining industry is being planned over the fate of a single pit in the militant Kent coalfield.

past week.

Summons were served on shop stewards and members of the strike committee at the factory gates yesterday. A company representative also announced through a loud hailer that application was being made to served on National Union of Mineworkers have drawn up plans for an immediate 24-hour strike if the National Coal Board does not approve a fam development scheme to keep open Snowdown colliery.

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pits scheduled for closure under the coal board's accelerated shutdown programme that was abandoned a year ago in the face of a national

strike threat. Coal board mining engi nears agreed then to investi-gate possible reserves below the existing seam, which is nearing exhaustion, and they have discovered a rich measure ranging from 5ft to 8ft in thickness, just 40yds farther down.

ment scheme will be ap-proved. If it is not, and the pit is put back on the closure Kent area miners will stop for on an undisclosed date to attend "action meetings" at which proposals to extent the stoppage will be discussed, and almost cer-

Mr Jack Collins, secretary.

that Mrs Duncan, married for five years, will give birth to twins early in September. She said yesterday: "Its Glyn England, chairman of the Central Electricity Generation Board, and about the Government's plan to sell off part of the electricity supply industry. September. She said yesterday: "Its delightful news and a dream coming true. I will have three. The couple, who live in Aldbury Rise; Coventry, recently adopted a boy aged three. Mr Duncan said: "The first two implants cost £1,600 each and the final one £1,800. But it is well worth every Later this month he takes over as Labour group praise

technique.

for TUC Europe view

It could be third time lucky for the wife of a Coventry schoolmaster who is

expecting test tube twins. For Mrs. Satwinder Duncan, aged 24, whose husband Mr Carlton Duncan, is the deputy head of Sidney Stringer Comm-

unity College in Coventry, was unsuccessful with two previous implants at the Cambridgeshire clinic of Mr Patrick

Steptoe, pioneer of the test-tube baby

Now a hospital scan has confirmed

The prospects of Labour's states. The group's greatest policy on withdrawal from misgivings are about settling the European Community these issues in the course of misgivings are about settling these issues in the course of an election campaignes. If ever there was a require for disaster, it is the first that Howell says. being influenced by the more Discussing the TUC's atti-tude, the panphley points out that the general council had

said that its study would 'examine in detail the scor Birmingham, Small Heath, and Labour frontbench spokesman on the environfor radical amendments to the Treaty [of Rome] in order to change the deirec-tion of the Community". ment and sport, says in a preface that as the research departments of the party and "That is vastly different

department of the TUC begin to me the facts, a disturbing difference of approach is found.

"Labour gives the impression of rushing in with appeared, argued against any precipitate action, and contradicted many of the assertions already taken," the decisions already taken, argued against any precipitate action, and contradicted many of the assertions in the Labour Party document, Withdrawal from the EEC.

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That document had skated argued against any precipitate action, and contradicted many of the assertions about the EEC. with clarity and conviction the means by which British jobs can be maintained and

British prosperity assured after we have left the EEC."

The pamphlet argues that withdrawal could push unemployment up to five million, due to a loss of export trade and of investments, and disagrees with the claim by Labour opponents of the EEC that Labour must take Britain out of the Community if it is to pursue the alternative economic strategy. "These arguments are based on ignorance, xeno-phobia and a blind refusal to

accept facts," it states. omic reasons" ticket. Miner's sponsored MPs would also be asked to give their support.

The miners of Kent are the first to attempt to halt the coal board's closure programme at local level.

The property is closure programme at local level.

comradeship and partnership with all democratic socialists in Europe. "It is now clear form the policies being pursued in France that our economic programme at our economic programme at local level.

Co-op faces boycott for

British Shooting The British Shooting Sports Council decided vesterday to boycott all ships, bank branches and other trade outlets in the Co-mortative movement. Voting at the closed meeting in Mestminster, London, was unani-

The boycott was designed schools peace as a gestore of support to hunts which face growing pressure from their op-ponents. Mr John Fart, Conservative MP for Harborough and chairman of the council, believes that all rural sports that implye killing are at risk. ia: The National Rifle Associ-

tion was the only one of the the council not to attend yesterday's meeting. The others all supported Mr. Farr's emergency motion calling for a ban. calling for a ban.

The boycott was aimed at the Co-operative movement because of a ban on hunting which will be imposed in June on the 30,000 acres of land owned by the Co-operative Wholesale Society. A spokesman at the head-quarters of the society in Manchester said that the boycott would be misplaced because the Co-operative Bank and the 170 retail societies which owned all of the movement's shops were independent of the wholesale society. Some of the retail societies owned rural land which would not be affected by the hunting ban to be imposed by the wholesale

society.

The wholesale society had received letters from sup-porters of the hunting ban who said that they would increase their custom at Cooperative shops, the spokesman said. The ban does not
apply to shooting rights on
Co-op farmland.

The decision to mount a
boycott indicates growing

fear among supporters of rural sports that they have failed to meet the challenge posed by organizations like the the League Against Cruel Sports. The league has cam-paigned successfully for bans on hunting on land owned by Berkshire County Council and failed narrowly last week to win a ban in the heartland of foxhunting in Leicester-

Challenge of SDP in local polls

By Richard Evans and David Walker

Two-thirds of the 2,300 SDP candidates fighting next month's local government elections have never conested an election before, it was disclosed yesterday. With the Liberals providing similar number of candidates, the two-party Alliance is fighting nearly all the town hall seats which will be

lecided by voters on May 6. Mr John Cartwright, SDP MP for Greenwich, Wool-wich, East, party spokesman on local government, said at the start of the party's first large-scale electoral campaign party of paign yesterday that many of the SNP candidates with little political experience 'diving in the deep end'.

"These elections will be a major test for our organiza-tion because we cannot concentrate in the same way as we can for parliamentary by-elections. Many of our candidates have never fought anything before. Many of our agents have never been agents in an election, so everbody is learning.

"It is very much a dress rehearsal for us. It is experience which we very much need in terms of the coming general election. We regard it as a searching test of our organization", he said. The SDP has held training

sessions attended by about 1,000 candidates and agents. Mr Cartwright said he was disappointed that only 15 per cent of the SDP candidates were women, but was encouraged by the number of people from ethnic minorities con-testing seats for the party.

Social Democrats have agreed a joint policy with their Liberal partners in many areas and their slogan for the campign is, care about people, care about

"We want to try to give local government back to the people; to make it more sensitive, more caring, and to ten days for laparascopy and other checks. As the cost on each occasion in bring it closer in touch with the people it is there to serve, the private sector, is about £2.00 financial rather than medical considerations are likely to be the prohibiting factor. while at the same time trying to deliver services in as efficient and low cost way as

"That means challenging everything that has been done in local government. The fact that so many of our candidates are new to local boycott for government is a plus factor. They will go in questioning and challenging everything and trying to find better and cheaper ways of providing services". Mr Cartwright

The SDP wants to restore public confidence in local government which, it says, has been undermined by the attitudes and policy of central government as well as the actions of extreme Labour councils.

the London borough of is the election of members
Barking disrupting the eduwithout reference to sex.
cation of thousands of chilA leading article in today's cauon or thousands of children, was settled yesterday. Schools will be back to normal when the summer term begins on April 19 after an agreement between the summer of the an agreement between the National Union of Teachers and the Labour-controlled authority which had agreed to restore 100 of 159 teaching posts due to be axed.

Democrats ballot on election method

By George Clark
Ballot papers will be circulated today to the 78,000
members of the Social Democratic Party to collect their views on the method of electing the party leader, on the representation of women on the council of the party, and for the ratification of the

draft party constitution.

There is anextra ballot paper seeking approval for bringing forward the date of electing the leader from November to June, 1982.

Members are asked to choose between three methods of electing the leader: 1. If there is more than one nomination, the leader should be elected by postal ballot of all members postal ballot of all members and there should be a mandatory review of the system in three years; 2: The election should be by ballot of the SDP members of Parliament; 3. The leader should be elected, in the case of any election before the next general election, by postal ballot of all members of the SDP, but after the general election it should be by ballot of the SDP MPs.

The area parties sponsoring the options give a summary of their reasons. The Newcastle upon Tyne party, putting forward the first option, say: "The leader will set the direction, style and public image of our party. He or she must have party. He of she must have he widest appeal to the party and the country. We believe that 78,000 members are better judges of that than an electoral college of MPs".

The Hounslow party, pro-posing the second method, says: "The SDP wants to says: "The SDP wants to strenghten Parliament. It will not do so by taking the choice of its parliamentary leader out of the hands of members of Parliament." To suggest that the leader, and possible Prime Minister, should be chosen for the MPs by members outside Parliament could lead to a damaging conflict between the party in Parliament and the party in the country, "as happened in the Labour Party".

The Kensington and Chel-sea party, proposing the third option, says it accepts the principle that, in the longer term, the MPs should choose the leader. "But that prin-ciple is justified only when MPs are properly representa-tive of the whole party. After the next seneral elec-After the next general elec-tion ... our SDP MPs will have a just claim to represent the party."

On the question of women's representation, the ballot form offers two choices, one a system where area parties elect one man and one woman to be members of the party council, with extra representation for area par-ties containing more than A teachers' dispute that extra members would be of had lasted for six weeks in either sex. The other choice

lostling" which is going on within the SDP leadership. "The election of a leader for the SDP is entirely a matter for them", it states.

Local polls challenge, page 2

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'Disastrous' to reduce junior doctors' posts

By Annabel Ferriman, Health Services Corresondent A reorganization of the by the parliamentary social health service so that all services select committee patients were looked after by which recommended doub-

patients were looked after by which recommended doubconsultants and there were
fewer junior hospital doctors, would be as disastrous
for the services as the last
reorganization in 1974, the
Royal College of Physicians
said yesterday.

The number of hospital
consultants should be in-

consultants should be in-creased but not at the expense of junior doctor posts, as the Government was planning, a report from the college said.

Government plans to cut junior hospital doctors, if implemented, would mean that family doctors, who have that rammy occurs, who have to work for a period in hospital before becoming general practitioners, would not be properly trained in children's medicine because there would not be the training posts available.

With fewer junior staff, consultants would also have to endure indefinitely the restrictions on personal life that juniors accented for a

that juniors accepted for a limited period in order to become fully trained and experienced.

The college was replying to the Short report, produced

Sir Douglas Black, president of the Royal College, predicted yesterday that the Government, which has accepted the Short report would implement only those parts which would save money. The result would be fewer junior doctors but no more consultants.

Senior house officer pests in hospitals had been frozen yet the recommendation of the college's Manpower Advisory Panel that the number of consultants should go in 1982/83 by 118 has been cut to 10-15 posts by the health authorities and the Department of Health and Social Security.

Sir Douglas said that the college was critical of the "simplistic" view that junior posts could be frozen and converted into senior posts. There had to be sufficient juniors to filter into the senior posts, he said.

Pensioners' benefit risk

By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent

Pensioners are most likely. Most of the pensioners to be forced into hardship by affected had savings only the new rules disqualifying marginally above the £2,000 anyone from receiving supplementary benefit if they have more than £2,000 in is to be the new limit from capital. That was disclosed November this year. Most of the pensioners affected used

capital. That was disclosed yesterday in the report of the Supplementary Benefit Policy Inspectorate on the effects of the new rule.

Six of every 10 people who had their benefit stopped under the new rule were pensioners who lost between f1 and over £30 a week in benefit. The typical pensioner cut off from benefit Report of the Supplementary by the new rule was aged over 70, female and living alone.

So the intermediation of the pensioners affected the pensioners affected used their capital to manage on their reduced incomes, while nearly one-third claimed rent and rate rebates instead. But 14 per cent simply made no response at all mostly because they did not understand that other benefits could be claimed.

Report of the Supplementary Benefits Policy Inspectorate on the effects of the new capital rule. (DHSS, £1.60).

CORRECTION -Mr William Rees Davies MP states that Judge Pickles in a states that Judge Pickles in a case, reported on March 31, in which two families were awarded damages for an abandoned holiday at a villa on Corfu, accepted that the contract was based entirely on a brochure and did not find that Mr Rees-Davies had described the villa as "the best on the island".

Overseas selling prices

covenant or a bequest. THE ROYAL HOSPITAL & HOME FOR INCURABLES, (Putney and Brighton). Dept. T2, West Hill, Putney, London SW15 3SW. ROH Patrons: HM The Queen and HM The Queen Mother. Director of Appeals and Publicity: Air Commodore D. F. Rixson, OBE, DFC, AFC.

He's planning

his autobiography.

Hugh Jones was married and successful in his

career as a sales representative when he contracted

multiple sclerosis. The symptoms took some time to

a wheelchair. His mind, though, is as keen and active

as ever - he studies with the Open University, writes

poetry and is planning an autobiography which he

hopes will encourage other sufferers from multiple

We have over 270 incurable patients to care for. We

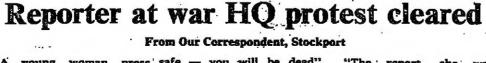
cannot cure them. But we can help them. Skilled care can help them surmount their disabilities as much as

possible, and can help them lead as full a life as possible.

But we, too, need help. We are not part of the Health

Service and we rely a lot on the generosity of the com-passionate. Please help us with a donation, a deed of

develop, but now he is one of our patients, confined to



war bunker, was cleared of previously appeared, pleaded criminal involvement with guilty and been-fined £100 them at Stockport Magis-each at an earlier hearing, trates' Court yesterday. Mr Mr Newsome said Miss Rhys Vaughan, her solicitor, McCallum knew beforehand said it was an important case that damage was going to be of press freedom. "Her committed, she travelled to purpose was to report and the scene of the crime with

Manchester, chief reporter of the Withington Reporter in Manchester, denied Manchester, denied damaging an eight ft wire

Nuclear Disarmament symbol intent and participation. And and the words: "They will be it is not evidence of either.

observe; she as just doing one of the previous defend-her job", he said.

Ants and was present while Miss Elizabeth McCallum, the damage was done. In her aged 24 of Egerton Road, handbag, later found in a demonstrator's car, was a typewritten draft "news bulletin" of what was about to happen.

Mr Vaughan said: "The

A young woman press safe — you will be dead" "The report, she was reporter who watched as were sprayed in paint on the peace demonstrators made a wall of the bunker. "The report, she was reporter to do a job as a late night raid on a nuclear "Four demonstrators had reporter. It's a very importwas there to do a job as a reporter. It's a very important case not only for this woman, but for the general principles concerning the freedom of the press.

That document had skated round the fact that nearly 60 per cent of British exports

now go to Community coun-tries as against 45 per cent in

1978, and that West Germany

was Britain's biggest single customer. Cutting British industry off from this mar-ket, "at a stroke", could be

"The NEC, in its yearning for a return to the days when the Empire was able to provide us with that we wanted for very little money, is living in cloud cuckoo land", the pamphlet states. "The TUC is more realistic, noting that the disparity between Community prices

between Community prices and world prices is not as

great as it once was; and pointing out that there would

be substantial difficulties in

returning to the position where Britain enjoyed rela-tively cheap supplies of food from the Commonwealth."

Labour Prejudice and Reality (Labour Movement for Europe, 1A Whitehall Place, London, SW1 50p.)

"The prosecution are try-ing to say she can't do her job as a reporter. A reporter, who goes to the scene of a crime, albeit knowing it was going to be committed, stands and observes it being committed and does a draft report on those facts — is that an offence?

Many reporters are present fence at a wartime headquarters belonging to Greater
Manchester Council at Mill
Lane, Cheadle, Stockport,
last December. The damage was estimated at £188.

Mr Roger Newsome, for the prosecution, said that perimeter fencing was cut and the Campaign for them in a pub is evidence of rately as she could. She was Nuclear Disarmament symbol exercising her right to do that in a democratic society."

By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent

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The first pure-bred Angora kids to be born in Britain this century exploring the land at the Rare Breed Survival Trust centre at Ash House, Iddesleigh, Devon. The

animals were bred under the supervision of Mrs Marriana Rosenberg.

Sanctions on colleges urged

in postgraduate reforms

quality of those selected for awards, and of their sub-sequent training, it says.

In general, the working party believes that the re-sources put into postgraduate

that the country gets good value for money. About £60m

a year goes to support 17,000 home postgraduates, all but 1,000 of whom are in univer-

However, the working party is concerned about the average length of time taken

to complete a PhD, the wide variation in completion rates between different subjects

and the criticisms frequently made of supervision arrange-ments for students. Research

years. But recent surveys

suggest that, on average, 46

per cent of science students and nearly 70 per cent of

social science students have not completed their PhDs after five years. Completion rates for the same subject in different institutions varied

enormously, the working party found, and seemed to bear no relation to the

distinction of the university.

The working party calls for a series of graded sanctions against universities with unacceptably low completion

unacceptably low completion rates, starting with the requirement that the student has a designated supervisor and a clearly defined research topic before an award is made, and culminating in the complete withdrawal of all research awards from that

all research awards from that

The working party rec-ommends that three years remain the normal maximum

for postgraduate support, but calls for a check at the end of

a student is fit to continue

It also calls for a radical

with research training.

By Diana Geddes Education Correspondent

PhD in the social sciences. At

present the standard applied to a social science thesis is higher than that applied to a

The report suggests that

some new degree in the social sciences should be introduced, possibly called a

PhD or some other name, which would be accepted as a

certificate of satisfactory completion of a three-year course of research training,

without the student neces-sarily having to produce a written thesis. The working

party believes, however, that a written thesis in the

sciences is essential.

Introducing the report in

London yesterday, Sir Peter

said there were several reasons for the low PhD completion rates: the ethos

of some university depart-ments; the lack of diligence

among supervisors; and the size of the project under-taken by the student, particu-

larly in the social sciences (Frances Gibb writes).

the social sciences vary markedly. Some universities are doing better than others; but the best universities (in the social sciences) are doing

worse than the worst univer-sities in the natural sciences,

which does represent a worry", he said.

Professor John Kingman

standards of PhDs was now

Police must

themselves

By our Home Affairs

No complaints system can

on its own create or maintain

public confidennce that the police are exercising their

element in the investigation

The board's warning comes as the government considers

changes in the system after the Scarman report into the

Brixton riots. It would be a "considerable

step in the wrong direction", if the responsibility for

receiving and investigating

complaints was removed from the police altogether,

the report says.
During 1981, the board received reports of investi-gations into 7,348 cases,

compared with 7,416 in 1980.

Report of the Police Complaints Board 1981. House of Commons

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"The completion rates in

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was acting as controller rather than funder for the project. The money would come from private institutions, taking purely commercial decisions based on anticipated rentals for this site, although he koped that Strathchyde Regional Council would pay for much of the parking space.

Dicussions with potential investors were well advanced, he said. Mr Duthie was optimistic in the face of doubts about the need for more hotels and chain stores in a city well provided with both. He said the St Enoch's

to reduce rs' posts

Exhumation could clear man jailed for murder

By Peter Evans, Home Affairs Correspondent

The Home Office is con- Molnar, a Hungarian vagrant. port: "His main problem is sidering an application for He had no record of violence. social and possibly psychotic, exhumation to help to prove Other key evidence is also believe a psychowhether a prisoner serving a life sentence is innocent of marder, as he claims New evidence in a BBC

New evidence in a BBC programme tonight indicates that Mervyn Jock Russell, an unemployed squamer, 'almost certainly' did not commit the crime for which he was convicted in 1977.

The exhumation, which is requested by Mr Tom Sargant, secretary of Justice, the law reform society, is of Michael Molnar, who had a long police record and is now increasingly suspect. He died six months after the murder and before Russell was tried.

The programme, Rough and before Russell was tried.
The programme. Rough
Justice on BBC. 1, says that
the police and experts agreed
that 22 strands of hair
grabbed by the murder
victim, Jane Bigwood, an art
student, could have come
only from the killer who
stabbed her at her home in
Decreated. London.

Four strands were dark. the rest grey or colourless. They are said not to match Russell's. But Molnar's hair is described as long and grey.

Exhumation would allow forensic tests to see if the hair the girl grabbed was really his. The Rome Office has asked Scotland Yard to make inquiries to see whether action by Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Sec-retary, is called for. Russell lived in another wing of the same block of flats as Jane Bigwood and

in heart

of Glasgow

From Jonathan Wills Glasgow

A £40m scheme to redev

lop a derelict area in the heart of Glasgow could

provide 2,500 long-term jobs

according to a detailed plan-ning application submitted to

Glasgow District Council

yesterday by Scottish Devel-

opment Agency.
Unveiling a scale model of
the plan for St Enoch's
Square, Mr Robin Duthie,
chairman of the agency, said

that the development would inject new life into the centre

It was one of the finest city centre sites in Europe and

would provide superb facili-ties in a complex to rival any in the world.

complex, offices, parking, an ice rink and other leisure facilities, and an extensive

The eastern part of the

development, for which de-tailed planning permission has yet to be sought, will include about 140 private flats, an hotel and a multi-storey car park.

Mr Duthie said the agency

increase the market. The architecture of the

new centre is likely to cause controversy in a city noted

uncompromisingly modern and severely functional

Much of it will be enclosed

under a glass structure resembling a gigantic L-shaped lean-to greenhouse. The "brutality" school of modern archiecture, which offends comprisesure of Glas-

Other key evidence is also questioned. A man seen by a witness escaping through a window was wearing a waist-coat Russell, seen in a public house before and after the time of murder was not wearing a waistcoat. Nor was

The murderer's escape murderer, "it was definitely jump from a third floor the time to sit tight", the window to the ground could programme points out. The hardly have been made by an untrained man without injury, according to an expert parachutist. Russell at his trial at the court programme points out. The police clearly had not been able to find the knife owner.

Factors that told against Russell at his trial at the Central Criminal Court were ankles beforehand and showed no sign of abnormal injury afterwards.

suspects, might have had incident, but it cle parachute training. Forensic the jury against evidence suggested the mur programme says. derer was probably right-handed, whereas Russell is left-handed.

Molnar, who stayed around the flat for a few days after the murder, disappeared the day after the police arrived to interview his flat-mate. A diabetic, Molnar left behind

As a friend of Russell's with whom he used to mend television sets, Molnar knew where the murder weapon,

his behaviour untoward. But 10 days after the murder to Molnar, according to people see if the kunfe they had was he lived with, wore a waist his. It looked like it, he said, coat "all the time" and he also identified it murder. Yet if Russell had been the

his ownership of the knife and that he was also charged mjury afterwards. with a wounding attempt on
The programme quotes one of his flat mates the day
evidence suggesting that before the murder. "It apMolnar, alone among possible pears to have been a minor
suspects, might have had incident but it clearly turned
parachute training. Forensic the jury against him", the

He was also reported to be telling "gory stories" about the murder on the morning after. Although his gossip was inaccurate, it told against him and he was conviced and refused leave

belongings, including insulin. The Russell case is the and hypodermic needles.

At King's College Hospital, spite of the guilty verdict, London, where he subse doubts persist and are examquently obtained treatment, a ined in Rough Justice, a doctor put in Molnar's re-three-part series.

£40m scheme Channel tunnel 'could lose up to £300m'

By Michael Baily, Transport Correspondent

The British and French month, but that is not now governments were given a expected until after Easter, warning yesterday against That puts more pressure on embarking on a "submerged the tight timetable if, as is Concorde" in the form of a deemed necessary, legislation Channel tunnel that would is to be included in the make heavy losses against make heavy losses against cut-price ferry competition.
Ferry fares could drop by a third as the big moderm ships now on stream fill up and the case for a tunnel could be undermined, a new study by the Oxford University. Temperory, Strudies, University, sity Transport Studies Unit considered carried out for the Chammel Apart fr port and ferry companies might just A tunnel scheme could lose

up to 2300m plus inflation by the year 2010 and far from creating employment could cause a parmanent loss of 2,000 jobs in Kent, the study in the world.

Detailed plans for the suggests.

western section of the 15.

This fresh attack comes as acre site include a shopping the Anglo-French working party prepares to announce its choice of scheme smid-fears that time is short for a start in the lifetime of this

through the summer. Mr Howell has been careful to emphasize that continued reliance on ferries and aircraft is one of the options Apart from a bridge, which might just stay in the black, investors should be very wary of putting their money in a fixed link, Sir William Harris, chairman of the Dover Harbour Board said yesterday while introducing the new study at a London press conference.

A tunnel could be a "financial disaster" and the benefits claimed for it were

benefits claimed for it were illusory, he said. Future traffic at 35 million passengers a year in 2010 compared Mr David Howell. Sec. carried comfortably by fer-retary of State for Transport, ries at a fraction of the cost had hoped to announce the and in greater comfort and Angle-French choice last safety.

Extradition for US road death trial rejected

Miss Gail Jennings, aged 21. of Lymington, Hamp the Lords, Lord. Justice Shire, won an appeal in the Court in London yesterday, against extradition to the United States to answer charges arising from a road accident in which a boy cyclist, aged 13, died.

She returned to Britain in 1978, having been granted bail in Californian. Her appeal was against an order Lord Justice Ormrod said it development would draw people back to the centre of Glasgow and would actually

ball in Californian. Her appeal was against an order of Bow Street magistrates in Stand trial in Los Angeles on Stand trial in Los Angeles on Stand trial in Los Angeles on Charges including driving while under the influence of drink and causing the boy's whether, on the evidence, it would have been justifiable with gross negligence. Lord Justice Ormrod and the with gross negligence of causing death by driving a motor value. It would have been justifiable to commit Miss Jennings for trial on a charge of mansland. The stipendary magistrate extradition under the terms of the 1972 extradition treaty with the United States. for its fine Victorian and Edwardian buildings.
In contrast to the Gothic splendour of the decrepit St-Enoch's Hotel, which was demolished to make way for the present wasteland car

Labour in tussle over rent freeze

year rent freeze.

But it is understood that the Labour Leader has failed to win support of Mr Gerald Kaufman, his environment spokesman, and no commit-ment has been given. Private pressure for such a move has been mounting at

rents freeze policy special credibility. Mr Skinner said yesterday: "It would be unthinkable if we were to get

day that Mr Foot had attended this week's meeting of the home policy committee to expalin that he had met

9-year low

The total number of peopl accepted for settlement in the United Kingdom last year was 58,000, about 11,500 two previous years and the lowest annual total since 1973, according to Government immigration statistics published on Monday.

27,500 Commonwealth citi-

zens were accepted, of whom 6,500 were from India; 5,800 from Bangladesh; 2,400 from Anstralia, 2,000 from New Zealand; and 2,800 were

holders.
Of the 30,900 foreign nationals accepted, 8,900 were Pakistani nationals;

of people already settled in Britain. Control of Immigration Statistics, United Kingdom, 1982, Commd 8533, Stationery Office (ES-25).

Cash plea to preserve wildlife

By High Clayton, Environment Correspondent

modern architecture, which offends connoisseurs of Glasgow's nineteenth century buildings, is much evidence in other parts of the development.

The architects are confident, however, that the eart, however, that the exciting building in St Enoch's Square will achieve the same massive public patronage in Glasgow as the equally uncompromising squally uncompromising square visit square

keep endangered sites in that the council will be unable to respond to threats as they arise, and cannot always afford to protect sites," the council said. The impact of imadequate funding had been felt on? Romney Marsh, in East Sussex where the council interest had been

Some sites of exceptional scientific interest had been destroyed with the help of government grants to aid agricultural improvement, the council declared.

Nature Conservancy Council Seventh Report (Stationery Office, £4).

By Anthony Bevins Political Correspondent

Labour's national execu Foot to commit a future Labour government to a one-

party meetings over the past two months, reaching a climax at Monday's meeting of the executive's home or the executive's home policy committee. Mr John Golding, MP for Newcastle-under-Lyme, joined Mr Dennis Skinner, MP for Bolsover, in a rare display of party unity on the issue, but Mr Foot was said yesterday to have attended the recommendation. to have attended the meeting only to report that he had made little headway.

The argument put by Mr Golding was that rents had gone "sky high" under the Conservative Government, it would be improved he improve woud be impossible for Labour to increase rents, and a commitment to a freeze would help Labour candidates in the May elections.

dates in the May elections.

Average council house rents in England and Wales rose from £5.90 to £6.48 a week between 1978-79 and 1979-80, just 1 per cent. Between 1979-80 and 1980-81, they rose by £1.70, or 26 per cent, and between 1980-81 and 1981-82 they increased by £3.32, or 40 per cent, to £11.50 a week.

In the first year of the 1974 Labour administration, council rents were frozen, and it is being emphasized that that record would give a revived rents freeze policy special

sinies with unacceptably low PhD completion rates, are called for in a report of a working party on postgradu-ate education, published by main recommendations were reported in *The Times* last October, was set up nearly unthinkable if we were to get back to office and then raise rents. We should be making this a big political issue".

Nevertheless, no progress has been made since it was first raised at a meeting of the executive's home policy committee, chaired by Mr Wedgwood Benn, two months ago. Mr Skinner said yesterday that Mr Foot had three years ago by the Advisory Board for the Research Councils to consider, among other things, how far postgraduate edu-cation as funded by the three main research councils was meeting the nation's man-power needs, and whether the present arrangement for post graduate training were

nature of a PhD in the social sciences, more rigorous selection of postgraduates

selection of postgraduates and the withdrawal of post-graduate awards from univer-

appropriate.
The members of the work-

ing party, which was chaired by Professor Sir Peter Swin-nerton-Dyer, Master of St Catharine's College, Cam-bridge, and former Vice-Chancellor of Cambridge, included Professor Sir Geof-

frey Allen, who was then chairman of the Science and Engineering Research Council (SERC), Dr. Edward Particle Chairman of the Huiser.

kes, Chairman of the Univer-

sity Grants Committee and Mr John Ashworth, at that time chief government scien-

tist and now Vice-Chancellor of Salford University.

needs have not been successful. It believes that man-

power planning, as now practised, can make only a peripheral contribution to

determining the number and distribution of postgraduate awards. The best surety for

meeting the country's needs for skilled manpower, is

Immigration

United Kingdom passport

3,500 were citizens of the United States, 3,100 were refugees from South-east Asia and 2,200 were nationals from within the EEC.

from within the EEC.

Fewer people were accepted for settlement on arrival last year. The total was 27,650, the lowest figure since records were started in 1962.

The Home Office statistical bulletin, "Immigration from the Indian Sub-Continent", also published on Monday, says that from 1976-81, about one third of those accepted for settlement were from the for settlement were from the Indian sub-continent and they were mainly dependants

J. P. R. Williams wins libel action against 'Sun'

J. P. R. Willams, the former Weish rugby captain, accepted undisclosed damag-es yesterday in settlement of his High Court Libel action against The Sun over allegations that he breached his amateur status in relation to the proceeds of his autobi-

Last February, a jury awarded Mr Williams £20,000 libel damages over a similar allegation in The Daily Tele-

graph.
Yesterday The Sun apologized to Mr Williams "should any of their readers have gained a false impression." gained a faise impression.

Mr Charles Gray, counsel for
the newspaper told Mr Jutice
Park in London: "The purpose in publishing this article
was to draw the public's
attention to what the defendants believed, and still believe, was a breach of the amateur rules of rugby by Mr Williams, albeit uninten-tio-nally, and the article was published in good faith." Mr Williams, Wales's most capped player who was made an MBE in 1977, had sued Mr Ian Todd, a journalist, Sir Harry Lamb, the former editor of *The Sun*, and News International, the publishers. Mr Thomas Shields, coun-sel for Mr Williams said an

article by Mr Todd published in February 1979 suggested



J. P. R. Williams Awarded

then captain of the Welsh team, had acted improperly and in a devious manner in relation to the proposed remuneration for his book, which was then about to be published.

"Shortly after the publication of this article, the Welsh Rugby Union held an investigation into Mr Williams's conduct and concluded the conduct and c ed that no breach of the amateur rules had taken

Mr Williams, an othopaedic surgeon, had given the pro-ceeds of his book to a sports

NEWS IN SUMMARY

Back yard bobbies' to be recruited

Back yard "bobbies" are to be recruited to help regular policemen on the beat. Norpolicemen on the beat. Nor-thumbria police announced testerday plans to appoint 750 unpaid special constables who would patrol their own home areas (our Newcastle upon Tyne correspondent writes).

The scheme is aimed at improving the police's comm-

improving the police's community relations while helping

to fight crime.

Application forms for men and women wishing to join the new volunteer force have been issued to police stations throughout the area. Recruits will be issued with a uniform and receive out of

uniform and receive out of pocket expenses.

They will be assigned to regular police officers patrolling their own home beats who will direct them on anything form murder hunts to catching vandals.

Chief Supt Paul Whitehouse, the officer in charge of police community services, said: "We are looking for people who want to help their own community. What they will be doing is policing their own back yard".

Slashed pony left to die

The police in Dunstable believe that a pony left to bleed to death after its jugular vein was slashed could be the latest in a series Four months ago another pony had a screwdriver hammered into its head. Yesterday's victim wa found dead when her owner

Heather Croft aged 17, of Buttercup Close, Dunstable, went to her stable. Mr Joe Lawton, whose field housed five other ponies said "It was a terrible sight."

Suspended term for ex-nurse A former superintendent

nurse at a centre for men-tally bandicapped children who admitted eight charges of ill-treating children in her care was given a six-month sentence, suspended for a year, at Wolverhampton Crown Court on Monday. Ten of the charges which she denied will lie on the file, it was agreed. Judge Ward told Susan Wilkes, aged 30, of Bridge Street, Brownhills, near Walsall, West Midlands, that he had considered an immediate proson sentence but said it would offend his sense of justice to fail her for offences, most of which were nearly three years old.

new chairman of the Science and Engineering Research Council, added that the safety test

far higher than in decades past. There was now a tendency, he said, to demand more. Another reason for Health authorities that want continental quilts used in hospitals to save nurses time have been told by the poor completion rates was that students were simply not Department of Health and Social Security that four types have passed fire safety checks at the Shirley Instigood enough at those skills needed to do a research tute, Manchester. Report of the Working Party on Post Graduate Education Advis-ory Board for the Research Councils. (Stationery Office, £7).

The department is still not encouraging the use of quits, both because of the dditional fire risk app because they are considered harder to launder than tra-ditional bedding.

Force cleared by inquiry

The Northampton police force has been cleared of allegations of misconduct against it after a two-month inquiry by Mr Adrian Clis-sitt, Chief Constable of sitt, Chief Constable of Hertfordshire, who was brought in by the county council's police committee. police are exercising their powers responsibly, without unnecessary violence but with civility, the annual report of the Police Complaints Board, said yesterday. The primary responsibility must remain with the police, and the public must be reassured about that. There are types of complaint where public confidence might be increased by an independent element in the investigation The allegations, made in February, have not been made public.

Mr Charles Grimmer,

said yesterday that the report showed no evidence to support any criminal charge, nor did it disclose any need for disciplinary action.

Monks move into prison cells Three monks are being

cked into cells in Shepton Mallet prison, Avon, this week to help them to learn how prisoners live. They are let out of their cells each morning and, joined by three nuns, allowed to roam the prison blocks, which house

The brothers and sisters, a Franciscan mission team, spend most of the day with the prisoners, having meals with them, visiting the prison workshops and taking part in their recreational facilities.

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Admiral pins his faith on air superiority

By Henry Stanhope Defence Correspondent

Air superiority could be crucial in determining any confrontation between the Royal Navy task force and the Argentine force in the hope of securing a foothold in the South Adam-the Argentine force in the is that the Argentine coast is

In Invincible. The Argentines have one aircraft carrier, the elderly 25th of May which has a peacetime complement of 14 A4 Skyhawks — but will probably have more on board from its reserve in the event of a naval battle.

The Harrier is tachnically and its squadron of 19 Mirage interceptors with a similar range.

This would not provide the Argentine Navy with additional air cover if they engaged the British in the error of South Georgia about

strained by the sacrifices anyway. Current thinking is made to enable it to take off and land vertically. On the oher hand the Navy, like the RAF, launch Harriers from RAF, launch Harriers from a short take-off. They also have the advantage of the skijump, the ramp in the bows which gives the aircraft extra lift into the air.

In the context of an isolated sea battle the Harrier offers the Navy a great deal
and its potential as a
ground attack aircraft in support of an amphibious landing, is indicated by its adoption by the United States

Marines.
The Navy has the latest Sea Dart area air defence missile which is installed on HMS Invincible and three Sheffield class destroyers in the force. Other ships including three of the four Leander frigates and two Amazon class frig-ates, which are believed to be with the force, have the older, shorter range Seacat.

But the Argentines have two Sheffield class anti-air-craft destroyers of their own — with Sea Dart on board — sold by Britain in the kind-of deal which might have made economic sense at the time.
Their light cruiser, which is
on station there, is also
equipped with 70 or so Seacats. So to some extent, like is facing like — even if Royal Navy sailors, being all-professional, should have

the Argentine forces in the Falkland Isles. Achieving it, however, could present Rear-Admiral John Woodward and his senior commanders with their acceptances. Admiral Woodward and his senior commanders with their acceptances. Admiral Woodward, nowever, is that the Argentine coast is the Argentine co their greatest problems.

The task force will have an estimated 20 Sea Harrier jets, 12 in HMS Hermes and eight in Invincible. The Argentines have one aircraft carrier shape on the carrier shape of the Argentine Air Force's arrier shape of the Argentine Air Force's arrive shape of the Argentine Shape o

event of a naval battle.

The Harrier is technically a small offensive aircraft, with a performance constrained by the sacrifices strained by the sacrifices that the British task force, anyway. Current thinking is tiveness of Argentine carrier-that the British task force, 3,500 miles away from its "forward" base on Ascension Island, will make first for hunter-killer subarines.

By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

The task force is sailing into a stormy part of the ocean at the worst time of the year. Although the main islands of East and West Falkland, separated by a 25 miles-wide strait are at about the same latitude in the southern hemisphere as London is in the northern half, the climate is more severe. Ice could be encountered at South Georgia.

Conditions at sea are similar to those in the North Atlantic Approaches off the Outer Hebrides, but the weather is colder. The latitude of the Falklands, and 200 small islands scattered ound, is between 51 de-ees and 53 degrees south.

Most of them miss the full British for earlier losses at around, is between 51 de-grees and 53 degrees south.

force of the Roaring Forties which sweep across the middle latitudes of the south. Nevertheless a persistent wind of about 15 knots blows even at the best time of the year. The frequency of gale force winds and heavy seas increases as winter approaches at the end of April.

From there, they would then mount their assault first on the Argentine Navy and then, all being well, on the Falklands themselves which means in effect Port Stanley.

The Sea Harriers would probably be needed to proride air cover for the Royal Marines and other troops as they storm ashore — if the worst comes to the worst. That would leave the Navy's surface-to-air missiles surface-to-air missiles (SAMs) to protect the car-riers and other warships from the avenging Skyhawks from the Argentine main-land. Meanwhile the effec-

Gales and ice ahead

If the area of operations extends as far as South Georgia, the crews would begin to feel the harsh effects of the Antarctic convergence. Although pack ice does not extend as far as South Georgia, the bays of that island ice over early in winter. But the coastline of the main islands is deeply indented and provides many secure and sheltered anchorages. Those natural harbours were used in preparation for one of the principal battles of the First World War. The battle of the Falklands between a British squadron commanded under Vice-Admiral Sir Doveton Sturdee

For this second encounter, two battle cruisers, Invin-cible and Inflexible, were detached secretly from the Grand Fleet in the North Sea to reinforce the British squadron in the South Atlantic, All but one of the German squadron was sunk.



Defiant gesture: A confident Falkland Islander under the Argentine flag

General's gamble

Retreat could cost Galtieri his job

natural resources, as almost every Argentine is aware. But it has suffered badly from misgovernment, both civilian and military, in recent years, and the result is that it has failed to fulfil the promise which it showed earlier this century.
General Leopoldo Galtieri,

who came to power last December in a bloodless coup within the regime, is only the latest in a long line of military men who have taken that they know what is best for the country. His declared objective, like those of his immediate predecessors, is to reverse the decline and begin a process of national reconstruction.

The difference is that be has decided to set about it in a flamboyant and adventur-ous style. He clearly sees the invasion of the Falklands, which almost all Argentines regard as being properly theirs, as being a popular

If he pulls it off, he will have succeeded in distracting attention, at least for a time, from the economic hardships now afflicting the country. If he is forced to withdraw, he will suffer a humiliting setback, which will not be forgiven either by Argentine public opinion or by his fellow members of the armed forces, who could be counted on to try to remove him from

order in Argentina. Strong, well armed and well financed country of some 27 million guerrilla groups were active and one in which until in many parts of the country; recently unemployment was and the economy was in . ruins, with inflation reaching.
54 per cent in a single month and the currency reserves reduced to almost nothing. The tottering government of President Maria Estela Peron, widow of Juan Peron,

was plainly unequal to the task of running the country, to a resurgence of trade paucity of order, marked by and the intervention of the union activity, particularly the Speaker's repeated calls, and the intervention of the armed forces, headed by General Rafael Videla, was widely welcomed. On the ecomomic front the

new military government had some success, initially at least, in restoring normality, boosted by the natural resilience of the Agentine economy. Inflation was brought down, along traditional liberal lines.

But the operations on the front, against the guerrillas, were more controversial. In the face of an admittedly serious threat, the armed forces made a deliberate decision to wage a "dirty war", in which anyone who link became painfully obviparty since October 24, 1945, was even suspected of symous to Washington when the when that paramount interpathies with the guerrillas, or of having any sort of contact with them, was liable to be kidnapped, tortured and kil-

in that the guerrillas were virtually eliminated from with Buenos Aires, and is Court of Justice accepting Argentine life. But in the clearly embarrassed by the its compulsory jurisdiction. process thouands of people, Falklands affair,

Alliance's boat rocked by Steel

By Anthony Bevins

Argentina is a potentially many of them completely rich country with enormous innocent, disappeared and In recent years the number disappearances dwindled to almost nothing, with the elimination of the guerrilla groups. But the issue remains an active one in Argentine life, since relatives of those who disap-

peared are maintaining their pressure for information on what happened and regularly demonstrate outside presidential palace in the Since the armed forces took over, there have been no elections and there have been severe restrictions on the activities of political parties British territory.

and trade unions. The regime While Mr Steel believes maintains, and constantly repeats, its public commitment to a restoration of democracy, but it has avoided In the last year or two there has, however, been an

easing of the political atmos-phere. There has been more activity by the parties, which has been reported in the papers, and Geneal Galtieri apparently sees himself as be less resolute on the issue eventually heading some pol- of force, echoing one Labour itical party or movement which, if all goes well for him, would be swept into But his main problem is

the state of the economy, which has been in a severe crisis for the past year. Banks and industrial firms have gone bankrupt, and regime took power in 1976 at a time of exceptional disorder in Argentina Survey with the true figure regime took power in Argentina Survey with the true figure regime vankrupt, and unemployment has soared to an official level of 500,000 with the true figure regime. with the true figure perhaps two million — very high for a hardly known.

Inflation is now at 149 per cent, and the value of the peso has plummeted. White ollar workers try to negotiate four pay rises a year, and having two jobs is

to a resurgence of trade union activity, particularly by the General Confederation of Labour (CGT), which was so powerful in the days of General Peron. Demonstrations were called on March 30, which led to four hours of running battles hetween the police and demonstration are resurgence of trade paucity of order, marked by "should as a general rule be the Speaker's repeated calls, referred by the parties to the use referred by the parties to the accordance with the prolegal nature of the issues and visions of its statute (Article proposals put before the 36 [3]) of the Charter. The optional clause has been subscribed to by 45 states to formed the House that the date. between the police and dem-unprovoked aggression by onstrators in Buenos Aires. the government of Argentina In external relations, Ar-had not a shred of justifi-

gentina has developed cordial cation or a scrap of legality. relations with the Soviet This cannot be gainsaid. The Union, which buys Argentine conduct of Argentina is a grain, sells Soviet goods in classic violation of Article return and helps defend 2(4) of the United Nations Argentina against attacks on Charter - prohibition of the its human rights record in use of force against the United Nations bodies.

Argentines refused to go national law instrument came along with the American into force. grain embargo against Moscow after the invasion of out that at no time has Afghanistan. The Reagan Argentina subscribed to "the administration has made great efforts to mend fences statute of the International

Action by Mr David Steel, the Liberal leader, to prepare for an early general election over the Falklands crisis last night caused new divisions with the Social Democrats. It was learnt yesterday that he is to advise party nego-tiators to speed up their negotiations on the division the Social Democrats, com-

pleting the carve-up before the new deadline of April 20. But this was deplored last night by senior Social Demo cratic sources who described the move as irresponsible at a time when all parties in the Commons should be seen to be rallying around the Government in its resolve to back the occupied

that an ultimate solution may yet have to be built around the possiblity of turning the Falklands into a United Nations dependency, an ide that may yet be extended to Gibraltar and Hongkong, his alliance partners feel most strongly that negotiation should concentrate on a return to British sovereignty.

The Liberals also appear to line that there can be no blank cheques for the military solution.

The Social Democratic argument is that talk of an early election, United Nations dependency and qualifications to the use of force all help to undermine Richfield confirmed last true position. Atlantic Richt transfer of sover the Government's position night that it had won a field said last night that they back settlement.

Oil a key factor in attempts to resolve the crisis

Oil is now emerging as a key factor in any prospective agreement that might be reached between Britain and Argentina — with United States mediation — for solving the present crisis. For some time now there has been considerable speculation and some wildly exaggerated forecasts as to the lation and some when some Atlantic Richneld's consequences.

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number of the big inter-national companies have been carrying out exploratory offshore drilling, with encouraging commercial results in some cases. At least three platforms have been drilling off the Argentine coast of Patagonia and Tierra del Fuego. These include the jack-ups Rio Colorado operated by Total, Dominex, and Bridas, Royal Dutch Shell's Interocean 11, and Esso's submersible General Mosso-

The strikes earlier this year have been made by the Total consortium, which includes the Argentine company Bridas, in a block fairly close to Rio Grande. Prelimi nary results from the 1 mile deep Aries X-1 will have shown the existence of 1,300 through a three-quarter inch choke which is considered by oil experts to be significant but it still has to be evaluated fully. Last year Shell and Exxon reported finds of 5,360 barrels a day and 3,100

respectively. Further exploration has come to a head because of the dispute itself. Atlantic preliminary contract option

position. Technically speak-ing, the islands only have a three-mile limit as has never declared a 200-mile economic zone, around the īslands. In any case, this would not have been recognized by the Argentine Government as it claims sovereignty of all the waters

anyhow. The British Government was unaware of the prospec-tive risk contract offer but when it was drawn to its attention by The Times it took the unusual step of publishing an advertisement in the press warning inter-national oil companies not to

go ahead. ... Argentina is currently more than 95 per cent self: sufficient in oil and gas, but is anxious to become a net exporter in order to boost its ailing economy which is why it has stepped up the of-fshore drilling programme on the basis of risk contracts.
Oil industry sources claim that the overall prospects are encouraging; but until a proper exploration pro-gramme over the whole area has been carried out it is

had shown an interest the disputed Magallones state block, which adjoins diers where test drilling has been carried out, because the seismic data "looked embur-

One oil expert has sa

the indications are that oil

and gas deposits are being and gas deposits are terms found in the Spatial formation, which is the geological name for interesting of the sedimentary layer. This layer lies between the gentine mainland and the stands and dips to the east.

It is thought that the main reservoir, if it exists, will be closer to the islands the mainland. But this cannot be proved until test failing takes place. This happened because the mainland because the mainland because the mainland because the mainland the covernment has not been the covernment. and dips to the east.

Government has not been able to reach agreemed with Argentina.

Over the last 18 menths,
Argentine Foreign Maistry
officials have privately expressed extreme fragration at Britain's attitude offer this matter as they would have liked to see some find of joint proposal for pro-duction sharing accordance.

duction sharing agreement.
It now seems possible that
such negotiations for Joint production agreement tring-ing in the United Sales as guarantor, in return for a share of the revenue could impossible to evaluate the lead to a possible bass for a true position. Atlantic RichThe task force sails on

Carrier crew to get smell of cordite

From John Witherow, on board HMS Invincible, Auril 6

orce bound for the Falkland near the carrier, " lands rendezvoused in the the anti-submarine carrier, added. "The captain wants started to bring its Harrier the crew to get used to the jets and Sea King helicopters smell of cordite".

Meanwhile the Sea King

HMS Fearless, the assault shop carrying Marines and Commodore Michael Clapp, overall commander of this section of the fleet, sailed from Portsmouth and was due to join the force within the next day of so. Some frigates and supply vessels were already with Invincible and the flagship HMS Her-mes, but the Navy was reluctant to publicize details

of the force.
Once the ships have assembled they will head tonight in the direction of the
Azores to meet the rest of
the fleet which is sailing for
Ascension Island from oper-

Ascension Island from operations off Gibraltar.

Preparations on aboard Invincible, which has been sold to the Australians and is due next year, continued with vertical take-off Harrier jets practising mock combat and evading "enemy" radar systems by skimming in low over the waves. For some of the pilots it is their time on board the ship and they have been accustoming themselves to landing on a platform while still within range of

mainland bases.

To facilitate operations the carrier circled at only a few a knots in calm about 100 miles south of the Scilly Isles while

last-minute supplies were flown on board by helicopter. Captain Jeremy Black, aged 50, addressed the crew after a full-scale practice emergency and outlined the respective strengths of the British and Argentian fleets, the route the ship would be following and the type of preparations to be undertaken as the carrier headed for the South Atlantic.

the South Adams.

The mood among the crew and especially the Harrier pilots is one of jubilant optimism. To say they are spoiling for a fight would be an exaggeration but they are nonetheless ready and prepared for it and feel the islands should be regained by whatever means necessary.

whatever means necessary.
"It's what we're trained to Lieutenant-Commander Nigel "Sharky" Ward, in charge of 801 Harrier Squadron, said they were undertaking a full training programme to give supporting a marine landing aging."

The Foreign Office is in the past been consulte on numerous occasions fout applications for drilling off the Falklands but has ressed to grasp the problem is the hone that companies and dent.

"That has to be balanced by the fact there will be a few and entering air combat.
"That is our bread and butter", he said. "It is what

utterflies in our stomachs when we get up there on the flight deck and there will be a lot of aggro in the air".

Harrier pilots trained against US 'aggressors' in Britain and Sardinia

He said they had trained against a United States "aggressor" squadron flying F5s in Britain and Sardinia and had "wiped the table". But he was aware that the margin for error in modern jet fights was extremely small: "If a pilot gets it wrong for one or two seconds he's a dead man. The Harrier can bite back if you don't fly it properly".

The strain of flying such sophisticated aircraft at sea showed on the faces of the pilots as they returned for debriefing. One man, Lieutenant Mike Watson, had just made a perfect landing for the first time at sea and

Part of the British naval to fire at least one missile going to get them used to South Western Approaches bangs going of around the today while HMS Invincible, ship," Commander Ward the anti-submarine carrier, added. "The captain wants Meanwhile the Sea King

squadron was practising take-offs and landings on the

flight deck and approaches to the ship. Both Harriers and the ship. Both Harriers and helicopters are keen to do some night flying at this early stage but the Sea Kings, designed to seek and destroy enemy submarines, are not yet triaining with torpedoes and depth charges.

About a third of the heliciping About a third of the helicop-ter crews have joined from other squadrons and are taking time to accustom themselves to the Invincible. Captain Black told journalists that the fleet's progress south would depend upon decisions taken by the Foreign and Defence Ministrice but the progress has the progress of the control of tries but they intended to proceed at something under 18 knots strung out between 100 and 200 miles. That would enable Invincible and Hermes to train their aircraft against one another out of radar range and allow the smaller vessels to keep up.

Navy's biggest headache is replenishing supplies from a base 4.000 mles away.

One important factor pre-occupying the task force is the necessity for replenish-ment of supplies. "To con-duct operations 4,000 miles from the nearest base is quite a thing to do", the captain said. The fleet will be accompanied by a number of supply vessels and there are plains to send out relief craft but it is undoubtedly a problem exercizing the minds of Naval Command.

The captain sees the pre-sent period of training as a time to get the ships to full fighting capacity and to make some adjustments. "We are a navy who tend to train against a Russian threat and here we see some slight changes of emphasis. The sort of thing I am talking about is a matter of detail but nonetheless important."

He said the ship was capable of coping with chemical or nuclear contaminated zones by sealing itself and building up a higher air pressure inside and was well equipped to cope with flood-

There has been an un-official change in the identification of lifejackets aboard ship. A notice in the flying clothing store reads: "Due to West all Mark II, 15 and 25 life preservers will be now

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Underneath someone has scribbled: "or, Erika Roes". ☐ HMS Fearless, the assault ship which will spearhead any attempt to regain the Falkland Islands, yester-day gathered her brood of landing craft like ducklings under her wing and moved out from Portsmouth to join

the task force (Stewart Tendler writes). On a cold, wet and windswept day there was little sign of the thousands who watched Invincible and Hermes leave on Monday. But as Fearless nosed out of the dockyards, her siren booming across the water, people began to appear on the harbour walls. Many were mothers and wives, some of them openly in tears.

For there was no doubting Fearless's bellicose appear-ance. The decks were lined with men form the 580-strong. crew while aft there were ranks of Marines dressed in battle fatigues. In their midst Armed with heat-seeking sidewinder missiles and cannon, the Harriers intend of 500-700 men on the ship-

View of an eminent authority

would favour the British argument International law

last Saturday's emergency debate few references to the international law aspect of the Falkland Islands debacle

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Despite the emotional tide manifestly be the proper which swept through the method of settling the Falk-House of Commons during land Islands dispute.

Argentina claims to be entitled to sovereignty over the Falkland Islands. So does the United Kingdom. Such an international legal dispute "should as a general rule be referred by the parties to the International Court... in accordance with the pro-

The conduct of Argentina during the last few days does not spell out to the world much confidence in the UN Charter or the validity of Argentina's claim to the Falkland Islands and Dependencies. No doubt that was a factor which the UN Security Council took into account, as it has before, when it adopted last Saturday's resolution demanding an immediate cessation of hostilities, and the immediate withdrawal of all Argentine forces from the Falklands and called on Argentina and Britain to seek a diplomatic solution of their differences and to respect fully the charter.

Argentina has now violated

-sometimes called the most over-worked provision of the

charter. The Prime Minister has thus given this country mandatory terms of the Security Council's resol-utions cited and in lawful exercise of the UK's "in-herent" right of self-defence under the charter. Mrs Thatcher stated in the

parliamentary debate that she could not foresee what orders the task force would receive as it proceeded. That: she said, would depend on the situation. Meanwhile, as she reiterated at question time yesterday, she hoped that continuing diplomatic efforts, helped by Britain's many friends, would be successful.

The "inherent" right is in this instance and individual self-defence. The Falkland at least two of the charter's Islands stand outside the in seeking to prevent the UK principles: to settle its dis- geographical limits of the forces liberating the islands.

pute with Britain by peaceful North Atlantic Trany Organite use or threat of force Atlantic Treaty 1888. The destruction of the against the territorial integration of self-defence and Article 2(3) "inherent", is destructed, the amount of armed force accorded to our civilian but not exhaustable by its that may be justified in law formulation in the formu

of means and no moment for klands. It would, he said, or excessive since the act limit that no Argentine justified by the necessity of self-defence must be limited the British Navy would take by that necessity and kept action."

This is a curious proposal. In time of armed conflict at in a judgment of the Interin a judgment of the Inter-national Military Tribunal at Nuremburg in 1916, and was unanimously reaffirmed by the UN General Assembly the same year Greenburg 98 the same year (Resolution 95 (1)). The length of sailing time

for the task force to reach the Falkland Islands is thus not without its uses, legally. The degree of armed force which may lawfully be exer-cised by that task force will depend on the quantity and quality of armed resistance to it by the Argentine forces.

deliberation... it must in compatible with international volve nothing unreasonable law to declare within that

sea, such a limit would restrict action by the Royal Navy to an extent not required by iternational law. In time of normality a 200mile limit would be difficult to justify because such a claim for a territorial sea is not yet accepted in international law.

More curiously, and what was not mentioned by any during the debate, which may be immediately practical, is the humanitarian treatment , that must be accorded to any UK service man or merchant seaman

country. For this purpose it would appear that both Argentina and this country. will be bound, as a matter of international law, to accept the offer of the humanitarian services of the International Committee of the Red Cross. Saturday's debate in the Commons, generally, was not illuminating, so far as international law was concerned. This is odd because the validity of all our present actions directed against

Argentina, whether naval, military or economic, are based on that international law. If not so based, they have no validity whatsoever: International law may need more attention than it has 50 far received in this incident. Perhaps today's debate will be focussed more precisely.

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> to be made up by them. Importers of trozen beef were, however, concerned that other producers might put up their prices to cope with increased demand. Importers and retailers of corned beef were more worried that public reaction against Argentine corned beef would harm the retail trade. Tesco, the supermar-ket chain, has removed all 'Argentine corned beef from

import medical

By Rupert Morris

All imports from Argentina

into Britain worth more than £100m a year were banned from midnight last night, the Prime Minister announced in the House of Commons

All import licences were immediately revoked, but consideration would be given

to application s from British importers for licences to import goods which could be shown to have been in transit before the ban took effect.

This balance of trade is

thought to be atypical, how-ever, as the Department of Trade statistics for 1980 - the

latest complete year's figures - show the value of Britain's

exports to Argentina as

£173m, compared with imports from the same country

worth £114m. About half Britain's im-

ports from Argentina consists of meat, which in 1980 was worth £29m. Of this half-

was corned beef, and half frozen cuts of prime beef,

mainly for use by big catering chains and steak

houses. Mr JAck Balley, president of the National Federation of

Meat Traders, which rep-

resents High Street butchers, said there would be no effect

on shop prices. The Austra-lians had a lot of beef to sell

and he expected any shortfall

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Confusion over payments freeze Argentina's move to sus-

pend payments to creditors and British residents an-nounced in Buenos Aires yesterday by Señor Roberto Alemann, the Economy Min-ister, has led to deepening confusion in financial circles (Peter Wiles (Peter Wilson-Smith writes). The move was taken in retaliation for the blocking of Argentine assets by the

British Government but it is still unclear to what extent banks in Britain, which have lent Argentina \$5,800m (E3,300m), will be affected. There were indications from one big British bank yesterday that repayments from Argentina had already been frozen, and there is concern that the Argentine

action may open the way for one of its bank creditors to call it in default with wideranging implications for financial markets.

Correction

CIAD Drapel

The officer appointed by regenting to be "Governor" of the Falkland Islands is General Mario Benjamin Menendez and not Luciano Benjamin Menendez whose profile was published yester-

Expatriate Britons are getting out fast

From Christopher Thomas Buenos Aires, April 6

The expatriate British larly take lunch or a sun-community in Buenos Aires downer in the colonial sur-is afraid. The signs of roundings of their distinctly tension are there, the easy British enclave. downer in the colonial sur-roundings of their distinctly British enclave. There are probably 17,000 people of British origin who hold British passports in Argentina and who are therefore, highly vulnerable, to expulsion Bur even these atmosphere has gone, and if the Falklands are stormed Uruguay, to take Britons some of them fifth generhome. They are all packed with businessmen and their families heeding the advice from the British Government to get out fast.

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They cannot noney three days are therefore, highly vulnerable, to expulsion. But even those with Argentine passports — with businessmen and their the british generates the general transfer of the general the Fakilands are storthed their days in Argentina will be miserable if not over.

Each day charter aircraft are hired in Montevideo, half an hour's flight away in Uruguay, to take Britons

with businessmen and their families heeding the advice from the British Government to get out fast.

They cannot transfer Patagonia speaks Welsh, money through the banks any more and their cars are "frozen", so they cannot drive them out of the mostly Argentine born.

But they chaose to flee because the Argentine people, who are notoriously volatile, are becoming increa-

because the Argentine people, who are notoriously volatile, are becoming increasingly restive with every advance of the British task force and anything could happen at any time.

A few days ago firms employing British people in Argentina were advised by the embassy in Buenos Aires, which is now officially the property of the Swiss, to get all non-vital personnel out in 48 hours. The exodus has been carried out efficiently, swiftly and almost unnoticed.

But what of the thousands who remain? What if the anti-British sentiments now sweeping the country get out of hand?

The mood in the English Britanico, the British orphanicular in the city.

Buenos Aires happily absorbs a great deal of British culture. There is the hospital fearful. A few days ago a can Cathedral and a host of policeman stationed himself outside the front door, silently watching the comings and goings of those who regu-

Argentine | EEC asked to unite

show their common disap-proval of the invasion of the Falkland Islands.

Britain was not expecting

the other member states to take as severe an approach as it had done itself, and there was no suggestion that other countries should be asked to

before the ban took effect.

Mr Peter Rees, the Trade
Minister, said.

Argentine exports to the United Kingdom in the last four months of 1981 were worth £56m, substantially more than the £47m worth of goods exported from the United Kingdom to Argentine.

This balance of the Countries should be asked to countries should be asked to countries from the islands and to continue seeking a diplomatic solution of the Countries from the islands and to continue seeking a diplomatic solution of the Argentine junta.

Nevertheless, Britain was hoping for trade sanctions covering steel, footwear agricultural products and for such increases the hope that the Corporation of the Argentine junta.

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it has accepted for the purpose of maintaining peace

and international security."

The Commission itself discussed the Falkland crisis at

on trade sanctions

Britain today puts its case against a British territory for a united EEC front of linked to the Community, an trade sanctions against intervention committeed in Argentina at a meeting of violation of international law permanent representatives to the Community. The member states were asked to take Islands."

The statement went on the community of the community of

Commission was working on a draft proposal for sanctions based on article 224 of the take any action on the issue without the approval of the ministerial council. Sanctions consult and take steps could, however, be agreed together to prevent the between the permanent repurpuean Community being resentatives and passed on affected by any measures for formal approval by brought in by an individual whichever council is next held. At the moment, this is sheduled to be that of the agriculture ministers on April 20. Unless a special meeting is called for at short notice this would be the first date on which an KEC response could be properly

The Commission itself discussed the Falkland crisis at its meeting this morning and issued a statement afterwards condenning "the armed intervention" of Argentina agreed.

The EEC has a positive trade balance of about £256m with Argentina, but if the categories suggested by Britain or sanctions, the community has a trade deficit.

Mr Heath welcomed by Mr Deng Xiaoping, the

Chinese backing sought

Peking, April 6 — Mr him to "understand their Edward Heath, the former position particularly as a Conservative Prime Minister member, of the developing said today he asked China to world." world." world." world." have all its influence on Yestenday, the Chinese Argentina to abide by the Foreign Ministry spolesman united Nations resolution talling for withdrawal from the Falkland Islands.

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Mr Heath, who arrived

From Ian Murray, Brussels, April 6



Major Gareth Noot, back from the Falklands, is reunited with his wife Anne and daughters Katie, aged 11,

charities collecting huge sums for those who cannot pay for schooling or medical care or who cannot survive the absurd inflation rate. The target this year is \$300,000 (about to be raised by raffles, fetes, fuctions and various other means.

The St Andrews Society, organizes a pipe lish Club who, like everybody else, said it could be danger ous to name him. "But we continue to survive, we havkept our Briysh identity but equally we feel we are the kilts and the rst of the other means.

"Our British community has fragmented a great deal since the war" lamented one senoir member of the Eng-

The statement went on:

The Commission expresses its solidarity with the United Kingdom. It makes an irrent appeal to the Argentine Government to implement the resolution of the United

date on which an EEC response could be properly

Pym puts

By Denis Taylor

Mr Francis Pym, the new

Foreign Secretary, will not be going to Syria and Jordan next week for the visits planned by Lord Carrington, because of the crisis over the

Falkland Islands. It was being emphasized in White-hall last night that the trips

have been postponed, not

Even before Lord Carring-

ton's resignation, the possi-bility of the visits taking place had looked extremely

But last night there were no plans to change arrange-ments for the meeting of

ministers at Sintra, Portugal, on April 20 for talks on the

future of Gibraltar. This is the date on which the

Spaniards are due to poen the gates on their side of the frontier with Gibraltar.

The great importance which Madrid attaches to a

whole range of developments involving Britain is appreci-ated in London. These in-

clude prospective Spanish membership to the EEC and

Nato, as well as the opening of the Gibraltar border. Whitehall sources would

whitehall sources would not be drawn into commenting on the enthusiasm with which the Argentine invasion of the Falklands has been greeted in some circles on the Spanish right, beyond saying that the British Government was aware of these sentiments.

these sentiments.

There is, in any case, no obvious parallel between the Spanish and Argentine claims

on British territories. Spain

has tried to exert pressure over Gibraltar for years, but

a military intervention has not been in prospect.

Mr Pym's first day at the Foreign Office included ex-tensive briefings on the

Falklands crisis. He had to prepare himself for the formidable task of opening for the Government in the

debate on the Falklands in

force for the South Atlantic was depicted as being in-tended to strengthen diplo-macy, while the overall aim

remained to avoid war.
But it was also being emphasized that the with-drawal of the Argentine

occupying forces from the islands remained an absolute condition for any settlement.

It has apparently been clear to the United States that if Washington was thinking in terms of any political initiatives, a solution

would have to involve the removal of the Argentine

President Reagan has said

that America would do all that it could to achieve a

peaceful solution to the conflict.

As well as having to cope

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Washington tries to head off clash

From Nicholas Ashford, Washington, April 6

As the Royal Navy's task force headed towards the open seas, the United States began a series of high level meetings in an attempt to head off an open confron-tation between Britain and Argentina over the Falk-

This morning Mr Alexander Haig, the Secretary of State, presided over a meeting of senior officials to consider ways of preventing a clash between its major ally and a leading pro-western member of the Organization of Ameri-

can States (OAS).

This afternoon Mr Haig was due to hold separate meetings with Sir Nicholas Henderson, the British Ambassador, and Señor Estaban Telecor, the Aventing ban Takacs, the Argentine be followed in the evening by a discussion between Mr Haig and Senor Nicanor Costa Mendez, the Argentine Foreign Minister who arrived in Washington yesterday to explain his country's occu-pation of the disputed islands to a special meeting of the DAS.

The Americans say they are not trying to act as mediators between the Bri-tish and Argentines at this stage but are merely using their good offices to try and resolve a dispute between two of America's allies. President Reagan described America's role yesterday as that of honest broker.

American officials admit

they have no firm ideas yet how the dispute may be resolved, or even how the two protagonists can be prevented from opening fire on each other. "We are on each other. "We are kicking around a number of ideas but nothing has firmed up yet", said one. One idea which has found

some favour here is a refinement of the "lease-back" proposal which has already been unsuccessfully submitted by Britain to Argentina and to the Islanders. Under it Britain would

cede the islands to Argentina which would then lease them back to Britain, in a similar way that Britain leases Hong-kong from China. This pro-posal would also inlude a division of future oil royalties between Britain and

the Commons today.

It was being underlined that his becoming Foreign Secretary does not imply any change of policy, whatever changes of emphasis or style may emerge from the new holder of the office.

The point of departure for British foreign policy remains the United Nations Security Council resolution demanding Argentine withdrawal from the Falklands. The sailing of the naval task force for the South Atlantic Argentina.

Another idea would be to make the islands into a British-Argentine condo-minium. However, British officials pointed out that most of these proposals had already been rejected by Argentina and were likely to find even less favour in Buenos Aires now that Ar-gentina had siezed the is-lands.

Popular feeling in the United States is running heavily in support of Britain at present. The British Embassy says it has been flooded by telephone calls expressing symmethy.

expressing sympathy.

American papers have also been outspoken in favour of Britain and have been critical Britain and have been critical of American attempts to maintain a middle position between the two contestants. Writing in The Washington Post today Mary McGrory, a well-known columnist, chastizes President Reagan for saying that the United States was "friends of both sides".

For most Americans, she

For most Americans, she wrote, "The choice between our oldest ally and what one incensed member of Parlia-ment called a Fascist tin-horn junta that has engaged in flagrant aggression, is a cinch". The New York Times said

in an editorial this morning that there was no sense pretending that Washington's relations with the two protag-omists was symmetrical. "The Thatcher Government is entitled to an all-out effort to persuade Argentina to back down", the paper com-mented. However it has become

clear following the Argentine Foreign Minister's address to the OAS yesterday that Latin American opinion is begin-ning to line up behind Argentina. Two key pro-Western Latin American countries— Venezuela and Brazil — have already voiced their support and most members of the OAS already recognize Argentine sover-eignty over the islands.

Having lost last weekend's Having lost last weekend's Security Council debate Argentina is now attempting to rally the whole Latin America to its side. Senor Mendez called for hemispheric support for his country's seizure of the islands and hinted that Argentina might involve the gentina might involve the 1947 Rio Defence Treaty to counter what he termed British aggression.

However, it was also clear that Señor Mendez, by con-tinually referring to the existence of "British colonialism" hopes to gain the support of much of the Third World if a shooting war develops.

He sought to give the impression that Argentina had been consistently reasonable and Britain consistently obdurate during the 149 years of the dispute. He dismissed Britain's argument that the wishes of the inhabitants of the islands should be the main consideration in any settlement.

Ascension prepares supplies for fleet

Ascension Island, April 6. Military activity increased today on Ascension, strategic island in the South Atlantic when a British fleet auxiliary ship arrived and began taking on stores.

The unexpected arrival of the Fort Austin, 8,160 tons, followed the dispatch of the task force from Britain to try to retake the Falkland Island from Argentina.

with the finer points of the crisis, Mr Pym is already Evewitnesses said military stores were being flown into staging post on its 8,000-mile the island by Royal Air Force voyage persists, despite the finding out that a foreign got the impression that they Mr Heath, who arrived are thinking more about it here on Sunday, said he was since the United Nations cutting short his visit to resolution has been passed."

He said the Chinese urged parliamentary debate

Heath, who arrived secretary cannot focus on subject exclusively at a time. The office involves coping with a constant flow of advice and discussions C130 transports, but a security clampdown by the island's administration meant no details were available.

Four C130 Hercules were seen on the airstrip, which Mr Beroard Pauncefort, the administrator, said yester-day, would be restricted to authorized traffic.

Mr Pauncefort has said security prevented him from saying anything about the situation, but he is to make a statement to the islanders on Thursday through their local news sheet. Speculation that the fleet

might use Ascension as a

World reaction

UK had too much faith — France

French Foreign Minister, yesterday described the Argentine invasion of the Falkland Islands as an "at-tack pure and simple," which had not been preceded by any provocation (Charles Hargrove writes from Paris). The minister, who was being interviewed on the radio, added that the security of Argentina has not been threatened by Britain. He also expressed personal regret over the resignation of ford Carrington as Exercise. ord Carrington as Foreign

Secretary.

The British Government, he added, had perhaps put excessive faith in negotiations with the Argentine Government over the future of the inlands. This could

Government over the future of the islands. This could explain the absence of preparation against the possible military landing on them. The affair was a very serious one, this explained the very clear stand taken by the United Nations Security Council on the matter. M. Cheysson declared on Monday night in Nice, where he had gone to meet President Amadou Ahidjo of Cameroon, on a private visit to the country.

"In the Malouines (Fal-klands)" he said in today's interview, "Britain has been attacked from the outside, without there being the least symptom of a local revolt," which, he implied, would have justified the operation as an anti-colonialist one. M Cheysson explained the viol-ence of the reaction of British public opinion by the fact that "Britain is a gret country with a glorious history gehin it. Its people acted like a nation which feels humiliated".

About Lord Carrington's resignation, Mr Cheysson said: "He is a man of great qualities, astute, experienced, with a great sense of humour. We shall miss him a lot. I would add that I am not surprised that, faced with all the criticism levelled at him in the House of Commons, he decided to take upon himself the whole responsibility for this affair, for he is a man of honour.' The minister had estab-

lished close personal re-lations with his British opposite number. They stood Franco-British relations in good stead in the rough weather which they period-ically have to face, and

M Claude Cheyssson, the prevented natural conflicts of interest ove Community policy from degenerating into fundamental misunderstand-

ings. He added: "The decision of the Security Council condemning Argentina is a very rare decision, and many countries in the world are countries in the world are going to apply themselves to persuading it to agree to a diplomatic solution. It is hard for me to imagine that a country like Argentina could ignore a Security Council decision."

Le Monde, which is not usually inclined to make any concessions to what it de-scribes as Britain's lack of European conviction, paid a fulsome tribute to the former fulsome tribute to the former Foreign Secretary yesterday.

"He is probably not a convinced European (but are there any in Britain?)", the paper says, "and he took good care not to reveal any differences with the Frime Minister, whose style was nevertheless the opposite of his.

"But his realism, his moderation, his professional-ism, earned him the respect and esteem of his partners in the Community. They knew that if there existed a possibility of agreement, Lord Carrington would not let it pass by. His departure wil not facilitate agreement among the Europeans."

among the Europeans."

The French Government is studying the British demand for the imposition of sanctions against Argentina. The demand will be studied by the experts of the Ten in Brus-sels. The Foreign Ministry refused to state what attitude France would adopt on the



Canberra: Cabinet recalls ambassador

The Australian federal cabi- acting Foreign Minister, told ambassador from Argentina Argentine Ambassador of the for "urgent talks" Mr Malgovernments concern. The com Dan will return to meeting was brief and the Australia immediately. Mr ambassador was given copies Australia immediately. Mr
Anthony Street, foreign of statements made by the minister, said that the decision had been made to express Australia's deep concern and condemnation of the Falklands invasion. (Our Melbourne correspondent writes).

Ambassador was given copies of statements made by the Prime Minister and Mr Mackellar during the weekend. Mr Cappellini had been prepared to be ordered to the Falklands invasion. (Our Melbourne correspondent Earlier on Monday Sir Loke Mackellar the Prime Mackellar during the weekend.

writes).

The Government will consider implementing trade restrictions against Argentina but Mr Malcolm Fraser, the Prime Minister, ruled out sending Australian troops to the area.

He said that he did not see Ambassador to leave the Argentine sending that he did not see the Argentine to the Ambassador to leave the Argentine and the Ambassador to leave the Argentine Ambassador to leave the Argentine Ambassador to leave the Argentine area.

Australia going to war in the tine Ambassador to leave Falkland Islands but he bad New Zealand and told the written to Mrs Thatcher and Argentine national airline to indicated that Australia discontinue its flights strongly supported Britain. between Buenos Aires and Mr Michael Mackellar the Auckland.

Pretoria: No base sought Britain has made no ap-proach to South Africa about

proach to South Africa about using the Simonstown naval base, according to a spokesman of the South African Department of Foreign Affairs (our correspondent writes from Cape Town).

The Falklands are about 3,600 nautical miles from Simonstown. A request by Britain for use of its facilities could place South Africa in a dilemma. It has been

in a dilemma. It has been cultivating good relations with South American countries recently, most of whom appear to be backing Argentina. The republic maintains

The republic maintains diplomatic relations with Argentina, without charge d'affaires, Señor Alfredo Oliva Day, put his country's view of the dispute at a press conference in Cape Town ments to Argentina. yesterday.

Meanwhile the South Afri-

make the Simonstown naval base available to the Royal Navy in the crisis.

Warsaw: support

The hard-lone Polish Army yards.

daily Zolnier: Wolnosci turned its attention briefly from called on Japan publicly to problems at home to offer condemn Argentina's inva-

remnant of the colonial empire and charged that the "smell of petrodollars in part prevented Britain from recognizing Argentina's historic claim to the islands through 17 years of fruitless negotiations."

The commentary said that

the Argentine Government's dramatic decision to invade the islands and the British decision to dispatch the fleet could have consequences which went beyond the two parties concerned, as indi-cated by Saturday's stormy debate in the Security Coun-

Poland abstained in the vote on the British resolution calling for a withdrawal of Argentine forces.

ments to Argentina.

A Dutch firm has a

Meanwhile the South Africontract to provide electronic can government is being guidance systems for Argenurged by the Cape Times to the warships under construction in West German shipyards. They will not be delivered.

☐ Bonn.— If Argentina does not withdraw, the West German Government may decide to halt delivery of frigates and corvetted ordered by Argentina under a major construction programme, but cancellation would threaten thousands of jobs in West German ship-

support to Argentina's generals (Our Warsaw Correspondent writes).

A commentary argued that the status quo on the Falk-land shout which the Falk-land Islands, but Japanese officials said privately that it would be difficult for Japane to join in the Falk-land Islands. woyage persists, despite the spondent writes).

"informed sources" who say that the ships will be routed past the island to cut down lands about which the British Argentina because it was the sailing time. - Reuter. government speaks was a friendly with both countries.

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PM knew about invasion fleet last Wednesday

FALKLANDS

The precise time at which the Prime Minier had information that an Argentinian invasion fleet was on its way to the Falkland Islands was on Wednesday evening when the Government trock action. took action, Mrs Thatcher explained to the Commons.

explained to the Commons.

She was persistently questioned by Mr Michael Foot,
Leader of the Opposition, about
press reports, including that on
the front page of The Times
today (Tuesday), that information
about the strack was known in about the attack was known in London 10 days before. Mrs Thatcher said there was a certain amount of confusion in the reports in which there was a hears that there was a phrase that they knew about the ships but "they did not know

ther intent."
Mrs Thatcher, in the at times
noisy exchanges, rejected a
Labour call for her resignation. Labour call for her resignation. This was the time for resolution, not resignation, she said. Our mission (she added) is to restore British sovereignty to the islands and to the people.

She announced that the Government had decided to impose an embargo on the imports of all goods from the Argentine from midnight Tuesday.

in the exchanges, said: On her own actions over the Falklands issue she has the overwhelming support of this House and of the nation. (Conservative cheers and

some Labour laughter).

Can she confirm whether or not our mission is to destroy the Argentine invasion fleet? If she Argentine invasion fleet? If she cannot, will she say if she believes it possible or desirable, in the light of the long-term security interests of the Falkland Islands and to protect the exposed southern Nato Hank, that a Nato base could be established in the Falklands?

Mrs. Thatcher: Our mission is

Mrs Thatcher: Our mission is to restore British sovereignty to the islands and to give the people what they want — the right to live under British rule and owe allegiance to the British Crown.

As for a Nato base in the Falklands, I do not think that would be well received. It is very, very far out of the Nato area. Mr Michael Foot, Leader of the Opposition (Ebbw Vale, Lab): Has she been able to study this morning the reports in many newspapers, including The Daily Telegraph and The Times, about

Telegraph and The Times, about the statement that information about the attack was known in London ten days before?

This is claimed to be on unimpeachable sources. If that was true, it would have been possible for action of interception to be taken. Will she say it that information is correct and, if it was received, what action was it was received, what action was taken by the Government? Mrs Thatcher: As I told the House on Saturday, even if action had been taken — (Labour interruptions). Will the House let me answer the question in my own way, giving the information which I am certain is accurate as which I am certain is accurate, as I try to do and try to check these

matters?
As I told the House on Saturday, even had we known at the time of March 19—(Renewed Labour interruptions) there was the landing at Leith on South Georgia, and that was a long time befor the 11 days Mr Foot referred to, we could not have got ships and the fleet there in time.

on time.

On the second part, Mr Foot will find a certain amount of confusion in these reports and I therefore stand by what I told him on Saturday—that the first time we had precise information.

(Labour interruptions.) Well, if he will look he will see there is a phrase to the effect that they knew there were ships; they did not know their intent.

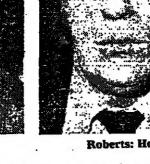
knew there were ships; they did not know their intent.

There were further Labour interruptions and Mrs Thatcher continued: I am telling him with the greatest possible accuracy as information came to ms. The first information I had was on Wednesday of last week when we took action. took action.

Previously we had been very worried about the situation in South Georgia where Endurance had been and it was suggested



Browne: Nato base



that she take off the Argenti- we had also made certain other nians by force, and we had dispositions, understood that there were ships Mr Foot: If she cannot give us on the way for that, and when we understood that we also took and the country an accurate answer on this matter now, will understood that we also took certain dispositions.

Mr Foot: Will she answer the immediate point? Questions of British intelligence are concerned in these maters and the House has a right to judge if British intelligence was operating properly and, if so, what action was taken.

Will the soil took took answer on this matter now, will she study the matter further and make another statement to the House tomorrow as many of her ministers have had to do before? Mrs Thatcher: No. I have given the accurate...(Labour shouts of "No")...information that I myself know and the action which I myself took at the time when I received it.

was taken.

Will she tell us if the information stated here was received? Whenever she might have been informed, surely she has had the chance to look at such an accusation today and judge and tell the House and the country if such information as this was recieved at the time stated? Sir Paul Bryan (Howden, C): Is

Sir Paul Bryan (Howden, C): Is she not encouraged by the support this country has received at the United Nations and throughout the free world on the stand the Government has taken on the Falkland Islands? Mrs Thatcher: Yes. There was a forceful resolution at the United Nations Security Council calling on the Argentine to withdraw. Mr David Steel, Leader of the Liberal Party (Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles, L): Did she hear the interview with Mr Richard Luce (Shoreham, C) before he resigned — (as Minister of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office) — in which he said clearly—and I heard the interview—that the Government had no warning of any attack until about a fortnight ago. That is w great difference

We knew there were problems.

We knew there were problems.

Of course, we were dealing with them on South Georgia. The precise time at which we had information that it was an invasion fleet and it was on its way was Wednesday evening. We took action them. (Labour interruptions)

I am trying to give accurate information. Previously, because of the South Georgia situation,

landed at Leith, South Georgia, and refused to leave although they had not got proper immigranon papers.

We were in touch with Buenos
Aires and said that they must go
or get proper clearance to be on
our territory.

We knew there was a threat that if we took them off by force Endurance might well be stopped and there were ships about which

could do the stopping.

The precise threat to Port
Stanley and the Falkland Islands

came to me on Wednesday. I do not believe that there was a precise threat to Port Stanley as long before as he says.

Mr Terence Higgins (Worthing C): The United Nations resolution was mandatory and the Argentine Government has not complied. Will she consider tabling a further resolution enforcing economic sanctions of the Argentine Government?

Mrs Thatcher: If we were to table a further resolution it might not have such a successful conclusion as the resolution we have already had.

Mr Allan Roberts (Bootle, Lab): Will she consider the conse-

Mr Allan Roberts (Bootle, Lab):
Will she consider the consequences of the Government's
mishandling of the crisis for
quite a number of my constituents as 50 per cent of the trade
with the Argentine goes through
Liverpool Docks. That is likely to
stop as result of military action
or sanctions — which I would
support.

ipport.
If that trade is stopped, will the Prime Minister make sure that Merseyside Docks, which are in crisis already, receive Government assistance to compensate, so that memployment does not increase as a result to the mishandling of the Falklands Islands crisis by this Government.

ment. Mrs Thatcher: The extent of our exports to the Argentine has been comparatively small in relation to our total exports, so I

reation to dor total exports, so it cannot give the answer Mr Roberts seeks.

We have decided to impose an embargo on the import of all goods from the Argentine from midnight tonight (Tuesday).

Mrs Thatcher was cheered by Conservative MPs when she rose to reply to Prime Minister's questions and when she stated ouestions and when she stated her refusal to resign.

She had been asked by Mr. Robert Cryer (Keighley, Lab) about progress of the Government's arrangements for the visit to the United Kingdom of President Reagan.

Mrs Thatcher replied that President Reagan was to be the guest of the Queen at Windsor Castle. As announced on March 25, he

in real wages and made the economy vulnerable to external

rantament has because that unless it voted otherwise, the threshholds and bands for income tax should be raised in line with inflation so that it was clear whether a real increase or

reduction was being proposed.
This Finance Bill extended this
principle to capital transfer and

capital gains taxes. It would largely eliminate the injustice of

Parliament had decided that

was to be invited to address both Houses of Parliament in the Royal Gallery. The programma was still under discussion and further details would be appounced

Mr Cryer: Mrs Thatcher's attempt to use the visit of President Reagan to cover up for

President Reagan to cover up to her failing position is widely regarded as an abuse of thi House. (Conservative protests.)
Has she noted that ever President Reagan has called for peaceful resolution of the Falk land Islands crisis, without bloodshed? Since she is responsible in the field unabusis for the sible in the final analysis for the conduct of her Government, sh should be considering an earl resignation to allow somebod else to meet President Reagan Mrs Thatcher: We shall welcom President Reagan as president of our senior Nato ally and mor powerful defender of liberty in the West and liberty throughout

the world. President Reagan, like most resident Reagan, like most on the solution in the Falkland Island We shall be very happy if anyon is able to secure withdrawal Argentina from the Falkland Islands and the restoration of the wishes of the secure o

people
If anyone can do that, we shi
warmly welcome their help. Wi
regard to resignation, no. Now
the time for strength a regard to resignation, no. Now the time for strength a resolution. (Conservative cheer Sir John Biggs-Davison (Eppl Forest, C): I warmly welco what Mrs Thatcher has said, a welcome the personal charge is taking over these affal Welcoming whatever Presid Reagan can do to bring about restoration of British sovereig restoration of British sovereig in the Falkland Islands, will s and should not we all, keep mind in this difficult matter prayer of Sir Francis Dr which she and many others he yesterday in Westminster Abb

mrs inaucher: I think the pra-which he must be referred is: "It is not the beginning the continuing of the same the end, until it be to finished". It is a very quotation under these circ

Mrs Thatcher: I think the pro

☐ Mr Peter Rees, Minister Trade, in a written reply a the ban on all imports? Argentina, said all import lice issued under existing arments were revoked with e from midnight tonight (Tues He would consider application United Kingdom import for licences to import a which could be shown to been in transit to the U Kingdom before the ban effect.

Mr Brittan said that it was obviously impossible at this age to give any estimate of the don which was being take in response to the Falklands cass.

The cost of that expendure (he said) will be met in way which is consistent with the Government's economic stategy. (Laughter)
Mr Shore said there were is lied ambiguities in Mr Britin's response. There would clearly be implications for cash lines as applied to the Defence in part-

applied to the Defence ment and perhaps to one

other departments.

There would be costs fis special measures affecting and invisible trade. It we enter the national account

been made.

If the implication of sid was that, regardless cost involved, which they know, Mr Brittan was det that other Government departments should be and their expenditure with the economy havin under-used resources, in find that was totally unable, at least to the Oppost The evidence was now support of the charge, made during the Budge that the Government's were built on an estimate of just over three?

of just over three unemployed. That was norm and, he suspecte minds of Treasury minis new regulator for the

economy.

Nobody could doubt that industry and the o had to pay for the all to

had to pay for the all the improvement in the inflation, the fall the domestic product had sharpest in the western. The unemployment had put Britain into position of major nations in this wretch. All the other countries suffered seriouly back second oil shock. As alone had been self as oil.

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It was fronic that the ment had demonstrated money supply and Government's reason flation, had demonstrated the supplement of the su

most effect not in inflation but on reduc-and employment.

beginning to unfold. If first substantial claim on the \$2.83 contingency reserve had tready

Poland is given seven years to repay West

From Peter Norman, Frankfurt, April 6

The agreement reschedul- bank creditors and Mr ing Poland's 1981 commercial Wetold Bien, the Polish bank debt was finally signed Deputy Finance Minister and in the Frankfurt head- Mr Marian Minkiewicz, the Bank today, giving the War- dlowy Bank.

nine months of last year.

The agreement provides that repayment of 95 per cent of the debt will be suspended issued to for four ments. for four years before being

high interest rate onthe rescheduled debt of 1.75 per

told its Western creditors Poland. service its debt to the West totalling \$27,000m. The agreement was beld up because bankers refused to

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saw Government a breathing The task now facing the space in its struggle to deal Polish delegation is to get with the country's crippling negotiations started on the ebt burden. country's debt falling due Poland is being given seven this year and in subsequent years to pay its 500 western years. The two men will be bank creditors the \$2,400m staying in Frankfurt after (£1,350m) dept that it should the ceremony to talk to (£1,350m) dept that it should the ceremony to talk to have paid back in the last bankerts on the possibility of further rescheduling agree-

The brief communique issued today by the Dresdner Bank said that negotiations between Poland and the Western banks on the 1982 for four years before being paid back in seven equal six monthly instalments. The remaining 5 per cent amounting to \$120m will be paid back in three three-monthly instalments this year beginning on May 15.

Poland will have to pay a bigh interest rate onthe West if it is to service its debt falling due this year.

cent above the London inter-vank offered rate. so far, because of martial law in Poland, refusing to give The signing ceremony the guarantees for new today took place four months credits, which the bankers behind schedule and more say ar essential if more than a year after Poland first money is to be lent to

The Dresdner Bank which has headed the international task force dealing with the Polish debt has created a special fund of about DM80m sign until the Government in (£18.5m) to cover it for Warsaw had scratched together \$500m in interest its DM390m lending to Warsaw (£18.5m) to cover it for financial losses arising from that it should have paid by saw. Its Luxembourg subsidi-the beginning of December ary will become international Today's ceremony was agent for the rescheduled debt and hence be responsible for insuring that payof 20 of poind's international ments are made on time.

Chinese dilemma

Planners despair as birthrate creeps up

From David Bonavia, Peking, April 6

China's economic planners three years under which and birth control specialists peasants have more freedom have watched in dismay as to farm the land for profit as

pected to see a baby boom caused by the rise in birth-

A law on population conof production.
trol is being drafted, but There is still a fundamental
until then officials in the debate in specialist and
ruling circles as to the causes

They can use only administrative measures, such as standards are improved. financial penalties for families. The other school, with too many children, and dominant one, argues that educational and social advanthis takes too long, and that tage for those who restrict excess population prevents their fertility voluntary. their fertility voluntary.

Nor are all the cadres

enthusiastic about birth control. An official in the southern province of Guangdong has been expelled from the Communist Party and dismissed from his factory job because his wife had given birth to her seventh child. The first six had given birth to her cent again last year.
seventh child. The first six The optimum population
were all daughters, and the for China, judged by econ-

the country's rate of popu- families or as small groups, lation growth has ceased its which raises the incentive to downwad trend and begun to have more children and creep up again over the past especially more sons.

two years.

This is particularly serious only adopted as official because the 1980s are expolicy in 1971, having been caused by the rise in birthrate in the mid-1950s, and the
attainment of normal childbearing age by the people Marxism helpful over this: it
born then resisted by some of the older

the high population growth of over population and the takes place, have no legal means of reducing it. One basis on which to enforce school holds that it will naturally decline once economic performance and IN

The other school the the technique of decisively lowering population increase stil eludes China.

The population growth rate, which fell from 2.34 per cent in 1971 to 1.17 per cent in 1979, started rising again in 1980 and reached 1.2 per

still strong.

The desire for sons has been increased by the economic reform in the rural areas over the past two ones.

Offshore

Canada's eastern-most prov-ince went to the polls today in a provincial general election fought largely on the controversial issue of control over offshore resources. Mr Brian Peckford, the

Progressive Conservative Premier, called the election in the hope of strengthening his hand in his battle with the federal Liberal Government over the offshore question. His island province is one

underwater treasures, princi-pally oil, which lie off its

Newfoundlanders that unless they speak out now, the federal Government will attempt to seize control of the maritime oil wealth through judgments of the Supreme Court of Canada. The Liberals — the official

opposition party in the last legislature — promised to reach a compromise agree-ment with the federal Government on the offshore dispute within 90 days after taking office, should they win. They also pledged to submit the compromise to a referendum for approximately referendum for approval.

Generally, the Liberals tried in the campaign to shift the focus of the election away from the offshore question onto more general economic issues.

NAPLES CRIME

Rome, April 6

Valenzi, the communist mayor of Naples.
Signor Valenzi came to Rome with an appeal for more help from the Government. he is known to feel that Naples is increasingly threatened by violence and cannot face the onslaught alone. Most of the murders are ascribed to feuds between rival groups within the

Camorra,
Signor Valenzi has called for a large and determined intervention on the part of

Raffaele Cutole, on the subject of a kidnapped Christian Democrat politician.

The mayor's difficulties are less political but more wides are less political but more are less political but more are less political but more wides with the less are all the less ar widespread. He has already asked the Government for

parish priests working in the depressed San Giovanni area of Naples issued their own appeal to the Prefect, the Chief of Police and the Archbishop to take in hand as a matter of urgency the rise of violent crime.

Rule covers classroom work only

SOCIAL SECURITY

The Department of Health and Social Security had no intention of sending inspectors to students' homes to check on whether they are doing their homework, Mr Anthony Newton, Ilnder-Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said at question time in the Commons. Mr Jeffrey Rooker (Brimingham, Perry Barr, Lab) asked for a statement about the reinterpretation of Regulation 7 (2) of the condition of entitlement regulations.

reviewing the details of the 21-hour rule in the light of the Chief Supplementary Benefit Officer's recent guidance on the interpret-ation of this regulation.

Our aim is to secure that the 21 hours cover classroom instruction only, subject to the intro-duction of additional safeguards to ensure that people who have withdrawn wholly from employ-ment to pursue their studies are not entitled to benefit.

The details are still under consideration, but I hope to be able to make an announcement shortly.
Mr Rooker: Everyone who bas been concerned about this will be grateful for the first sentence of the answer. Meanwhile, before



Newton: Additional

this instruction is changed, will he ensure that no more local DHSS offices send inspectors round to students to check whether they are doing their homework? When we hear about millions of pensioners not getting proper benefits, it is nothing short of a scandal that the time of civil servants and local offices has

scardal that the time of civil and advised.

Servants and local offices has been used over recent months for this purpose.

Mr Newton: I would like him to let me know of particular cases. We have not set in hand, nor have we any intention of doing so, the kind of investigation he describes.

Within the last few days (he added later) I have announced that further steps designed to help the take-up problem. The housing benefit scheme will bring significant help. We are have we any intention of doing so, the kind of investigation he reduce the problem still further.

describes.
Mr Robin Maxwell-Hyslop (Tiverton, C): It is widely believed that
the regulations count homework
as if it were work done at school the purposes of this regulation.

Will he take steps to correct a

mis-impression? Even if his department is not responsible for causing it but some radio commentator, it is just as important Vir Newton: It is because there

is uncertainty about the position arising from the new guidance issued by the Chief Supplemen-tary Benefit Officer that I was concerned to say what I have

As to the precise situation on the rule, I am in a little difficulty. There is an appeal on this very point in front of the social security commissioners. We shall have to await the outcome of that before deciding exactly what to do.
Mr Reginald Race (Haringey,

overrule the advice of independent adjudicating authorities.

What is up to us is to decide whether if the meaning of a regulation turns out to be

regulation tarns out to be unsatisfactory from our point of view we change the regulation. That is what we are looking at.

Mr Keith Hampson (Ripon, C):
Will be ensure that when drafting new regulations his officers in the various local offices encourage who have been the various local offices encourage young people who have been
genuinely unemployed for a
period of time and could benefit
from courses, to take these up?
There has been widespread
disparity in the way this has been
operated in the past by local
offices.

Mr. Newton: I am anyious to do

offices.

Mr Newton: I am anxious to do
nothing to inhibit young people
who are unemployed from using
their time usefully.

Moves to get more to claim benefit

The Government was seeking to cooperate with local authorities in well-simed schemes to improve take-up of pensioners' supplementary and other benefits. Mr Anthony Newton, Under Secretary of State for Health and Social Security, said.

There was worry about blanket operations he added, because these might raise hopes not fulfilled and at the same time could produce great overload on

uld produce great overload on al offices involved. Mr Andrew Bowden (Brighton, Kempton, C) had earlier said: It is tragic that nearly one million pensioners do not receive or claim their fuli entitlements. That means they must be suffering hardship and depri-vation. He should give maximum priority to ensure that number is

substantially reduced.

Mr Newton: I hope he will not overstate the case. On my information for about half of those who have not taken up their full entitlement, the amount involved is less than £2 a week. Of course we should do everything possible to reduce this number and increase actual take up. We are issuing to new retirement pensioners a form for claiming with their new books, and drawing their attention

and drawing their attention specifically to the matter. Quite a lot of the unclaimed benefit arises from confusion caused by the problem of them deciding whether to be on rent rebates or supplementary pension. We are making sure those who

still retain entitlement to sup-plementary benefit are identified

PAC access... would cause difficulties

If the Public Accounts Com mittee of the Commons were able to call for all papers in respect of public enterprises in regard to commercial contracts and com-mercial details, it would make it difficult to make those commercial decisions and extensely difficult to get anyone to run those undertakings. Mrs Thatcher, the Prime Minister said when answering questions on British Leyland.

Replying to Mr Tam Dalyell

(West Lothian, Lab), who had asked if the PAC should have access to Leyland's books, she said that it was the Government's view that the PAC had access to

Mr Reginald Race (Haringey, Wood Green, Lab): Would he ensure that all claims currently made are re-assessed by the horsework excluded from consideration but also travelling time?

Mr Newton: I cannot insist on the re-assessment of cleims: which fall to be judged under the current guidance as to interpretation of the rules. It is not up to view that the PAC had access to which those papers to which ministers the Government had not received from British Leyland and undition to those contained in the company's 1982 corporate plan, to which the Government had announced its approval on December 22, 1981.

Shore says Falklands will affect economy anxious to avoid indexation of would have on wages. This would have pre-vented necessary readjustments hir Britan said

FINANCE BILL

Mrs Thatcher: I have tried to help Mr Foot. (Labour interruptions) If he will look at that report, the one on the front of The Times, he will see there were ships there. Their intent was not known. (Recewed interruptions)

known. (Renewed interruptions) This, I understand, is what The

The scale of Britam's error on the Falkland Islands required no change in the Government's basic economic strategy, Mr Leon Brittan, Chief Secretary to the Treasury, said when he moved the second reading of the Finance Bill.

He said the House met under the shadow of other events and their thoughts were naturally

their thoughts were naturally with the nevel task force in the with the neval task, that to have in the said. But these events have in no way altered our resolve to continue with our basic economic strategy, nor is the scale of our efforts in relation to the Falkland Islands, substantial as it is, such as to require any change in that

strategy. There is no question of that. The policies embodied in this

unchanged.

No one seriously believed that
they would have had the benefits
of lower interest rates if the
Government had accepted the
advice of those who called for
massive increases in the level of

There had been some disappointing industrial production figures for the winter although output was affected by the weather and industrial disputes. However preliminary indications, such as car production and steel output, showed that there should be some bounce-back in indus-trial production in February.

The trend in unit wage and salary costs in the three months salary costs in the three months to January showed a rise of about 3 per cent compared with a year earlier, well below the international average and comparable with the best, which was Germany and Japan. The latest figures for exports showed some fall-off in volume from the encouraging level recorded in the previous four months. The severe weather up to mid-January had a depressing effect. He expected there to be some improvement in the February trade figures.

there to be some improvement in the February trade figures.

The general picture of the economy was an increasingly encouraging one. The turning point in activity was reached last spring since when the gross domestic product had risen by 1 per cent Industrial and commercial company profits were now recovering strongly. They rose by one-quarter in the second half of 1981.

Scrutiny

of council

spending

LOCAL FINANCE

Mr Joel Barnett (Heywood and Royton, Lab.) chairman of the Public Accounts Committee, moved a new clause during the report Stage of the Local Government, Finance (No 2) Bill on Monday night the purpose of which was to enable the PAC through reports from the Comptroller and Auditor General to report to Parliament on the spending by local authorities of large sums of money which the

large sums of money which the Commons provided.

Commons provided.

The clause provided that the Audit Commission should undertake or promote studies of the impact on economy, efficiency and effectiveness in the provision of local authorities of statutory provisions and guidance and instructions issued to them by ministers of the crown.

It stated that the Comptroller and Auditor General should have

access to all documents and records held by the commission

ministers of the crown.

fallen to 11 per cent, half the rate in the spring of 1980.

The figures provided evidente of a further slowing in the rate of increase in unemployment. Over the last three months the increase in unemployment, averaging about 20,000 a month, had been only one-quarter of that in the same period a year ago.

The outlook for 1982 and 1983 was an encouraging one. They expected satput to continue its recovery on a more broadly

recovery on a more broadly based front than last year, with industrial investment showing levying taxes on future paper gains.

It was possible to see the longer-term effects of the Government's strategy working through. The signs of improvement, and the tax reductions which the Chancellor announced to the Reductions of the Reduction of th Budgets.
This Budget and Finance Bill

This Budget and Finance But (he said) continues the same steady strategy which is already beginning to ensure that the process of recovery proceeds on a sound and sustainable basis. He wanted to mail a canard on unemployment. Contrary to what Mr Peter Shore, the Opposition spokesman had said, the Government was not planning for ment was not planning for unemployment of over three million over the next three or

million over the next three or four years.

If it were possible to bring down the level of unemployment on a sustainable basis rapidly and dramatically the Government would have jumped at it. But there was no such route and it was self-deluding to think that there was.

there was.

This was a Budget for jobs and a Budget to help industry. But it was a Budget to provide jobs on a sustainable basis. That was a painfully slow process but one which could be achieved given continued sensible moderation on the way front. the pay front. The most important measure to help industry in the Budget did not appear in the Finance Bill. That was the decision to; restrain

the borrowing requirement to keep down the burden of interest on industry. This was what counted when it came to Another important measure that did not appear in the Bill was the reduction in the national

insurance surcharge, a widely disliked tax on jobs proposed and increased by Labour: Indexation of social security benefits was widespread among industrial countries. In Britain, of 1931. Indexistion of social security
This should encourage investment and make it easier to industrial countries. In Fitain,
finance. Retail price inflation had successive governments had been

on a continuing basis, adequate information with which to

supervise the activities of the executive.

The House should be able to

statutory indexation provisions.

Some 1,290,000 people who would have paid tax next year would not now have to do so. These were people on the lowest incomes and they had been kept out of tax altogether. out of tax altogether.

The Bill represented a continuation of the long-term strategic objective of the Government to bring down inflation, restore prosperity, and reduce unemployment on a substainable basis. These were objectives no one could quarrel with.

Brittan: Industry will bounce

needed to compensate for in-

more than the increase

Mr Peter Shore, chief Opposition spokesman on Treasury and economic affairs, said that the Falklands Islands events would have some implications for the wholecourse of the economy as it wholecourse of the economy as it developed during the coming

year.

Most obviously, the events would have a clear reflection in public expenditure totals for 1982-83. Mr Arthur Lewis (Newham, North-West, Lab) said that Mr Brittan had not attempted to give

any idea of the effect the even he should report to Parliament the results of his examination.

Mr Barnett said the object was to onsure better value for money in public spending and proper and more effective parliamentary of the parliament of the parlia

Mr Tom King, Minister for Local Government and Environmental Services, said the Government understood the concern on this issue. The clause broke new ground and provided in statute for outside appraisal of the effectiveness of Government's policies and gave the Comptroller and Auditor General a role in relation to local authorities which he had not had previously. The Government was sympamore effective parliamentary control. The clause sought to ensure that the House had the opportunity of looking at whether Government measures and guidance encouraged efficient local administration. ficient local administration.

Local authorities would benefit from the kind of studies that the Comptroller and Auditor General would be enabled to do because the departments' activities vis-avis local authorities would be able to be properly checked and reports made to the Commons through the PAC.

It was a limited but important first step to help local authorities. which he nad not new pressympathetic to the right of the Comptroller and Auditor General to examine the communission's studies showing the effect of Government's policies on value for money, but was concerned

first step to help local authorities and the Government to obtain better value for money and to about the second paragraph of the clause which referred to his having access to all documents. and records held by the comprovide better accountability to the House of Commons but he the House of Commons but he did not intend to stop there.

Mr Edward du Cann (Taunton, C) said they were dealing here with a relatively limited aspect of a campaign about which Mr Barnett felt as strongly as he did—namely, the opportunity to make certain that the House had, on a continuous basis adequate. mission relating to any such As drafted, this would give the Comptroller and Auditor General access to detailed papers of individual local authorities. This would give rise to considerable

There was the concern of local government on the role of Parliament and the Comptroller and Auditor General. In the Bill, the Secretary of State specifically precludes himself from access to The House should be able to the Secretary of State spectrically follow public money wherever it was spent, to decide how well it detailed information which prevais spent, and to publish its findings so that the public in turn might judge the situation. The Secretary of State spectrically precludes himself from access to detailed information from obtaining from the commission information related to the discharge of its

functions in respect if any individual local author in the House that amendment as it stands and be accepted. If the most of the amendment would not so it, I can give this undertakent in the principle of the amendment with.

The amendment with with The report stage of concluded and the Bill read the third time by 273 votes of the Government majority 9.

Benefits Bu in Lords

The Social Security and Housing Benefits Bill, which stanges the way in which people the full sick and whose sicked and revents them from working the said, and also the way in which help is given to people to meet the cost of housing, was the second time. time.

Lord Elton, Under Sertelary of State for Health and Social Security, said that the BU, which has been through the Bummons abolished wasteful duplication of administrative

administrative work Marriage Bills The John Francis Dare and Gillian Loder Dies Marriage Enabling) Bill and Site Hugh Small and Norma Sites (Marriage Enabling) Bill pere read the third time and passed.

issue in Canada poll From John Best Ottawa, April 6 Voters in Newfoundland.

of Canada's so-called "have nots", with a 15 per cent unemployment rate. Mr Peckford says that can be redressed if Newfoundland has a free hand to exploit the

Throughout the three-week campaign; he repeatedly told

APPEAL ON From Peter Nichols

The shocking murder rate in Naples which has reached 89 since the start of the year. and obstacles facing the city's reconstruction were the principal issues discussed at a meeting here today between Signor Giovanni Spadolini, the Prime Minis-ter, and Signor Maurizio Valenzi, the communist

rival groups within the

the government. His appeal comes when the Prime Minister is still facing the storm aroused by allegations that members of the secret service and others treated with the supposed head of the Camorra in prison, Signor Raffaelo Carolo or the

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Haig rejects freeze on nuclear arms

that a proposed freeze on new nuclear weapons would ments, particularly his claim ments, particu

the arms race. Mr Richard Perle Assistant
Defence Secretary said last
week that a freeze at existing
levels, as proposed by 178
members of Congress, would
lock in Soviet superiority and
reduce prospects for arms

another session with re- tages and geopolitical post-porters yesterday he invited tion in Europe, he said.

Washington, April 6.—Mr the Soviet leader to meet him Alexander Haig, the Sec. in New York this summer to retary of State said today discuss arms control.

In the most comprehensive statement so far of the Reagan Administration's nuclear arms policy, Mr. Haig today rejected calls for a freeze, for renouncing the first use of nuclear arms policy, Mr. Haig today rejected calls for a freeze, for renouncing the first use of nuclear weapons by the West and avoid the extremes of nuclear weapons by the West and for submitting to Soviet and for submit

red than dead".

A western pledge against using nuclear weapons first would be tantamount to making Europe safe for conventional aggression.

"If the West were to allow freedom, to

civilization and preserve making Europe safe for the peace", he said.
"In failing to maintain deterrence, we would risk our freedoms, while actually choose the level of conflict increasing the likelihood of which most suited it, and to also suffering nuclear devastics." tation.

"In the nuclear age, the of any escalation, we would only choice consistent with be forced to maintain conventional and civilization is

only choice consistent with survival and civilization is deterrence. It is deterrenced in the deterrence and the reward a decade of unilateral Soviet buildup and remove all Soviet incentive to engage in meaningful arms control designed to cut armaments

designed to cut armaments and reduce the risk of war.

Western deterrence: depended upon its ability even after suffering a huge nuclear blow to prevent an aggressor from securing mili-

reductions.

The Administration has also been trying to regain the initiative in world public opinion that American officials concede has been captured by President Brezhnev in recent weeks.

President Reagan called for dramatic reductions in nuclear arms in a press conference last week, and at another session with re-



Embrace of leaders: Señor Javier Perez de Cuellar, the United Nations Secretary-General, during a private audience with the Pope yesterday.

Move to close PLO office in Paris

From Charles Hargrove, Paris, April 6

The assasination of a diplomatic privileges and is mentioned the closing down of the Israeli embassy in Paris on Saturday, Foreign Ministry.

The Government seems of terrorist attacks against Jewish organizations in the past few months, has brought increasing pressure on the emphasized that the PLO pressure of the PLO representation. But a few hours later the Straeli Embassy denied this. The ambassador had submitted no written demand to this effect, but had done so verbally.

The Government seems Israeli Embassy denied this. The ambassador had submitted no written demand to this effect, but had done so verbally.

Several thousand people demonstrated last night outside the PLO office in the district of Passy, in response

This was opened in October, 1975, and its staff does interest in the assassinnet enjoy any special or ation," He said. He added diplomatic status; but its that Mr Meir Rosenne, the diplomatic list, does have called on him today had not tense.

Side the PLO office in the district of Passy, in response to a call of the League Against Racism, and of leading Jewish organizations. These were no incidents, although the atmosphere was diplomatic list, does have called on him today had not tense.

Doubts emerge on Gibraltar border

From Harry Debelius Madrid, April 6

ruing centre party's foreign policy spokesman sen Javier Ruperez failed to dispel doubts in Madrid today on whether the border would reopen as scheduled in two

weeks,
Madrid newspapers said
that a toughening of the
British position on the decolonization of Gibraltar could
be expected after the Argentine invasion of the Falkland
Islands. They also pointed
out that Mr Francis Pym, the
new foreign Secretary,
would have little time to
dedicate to the Gibraltar
question until the Falklands
issue was resolved one way issue was resolved one way or another.

or another.

Senor Rupérez took an optimistic view in an interview broadcast by the staterun Radio Nacional today saying: "As far as the Spanish Government is concerned, there is a will to go ahead with those negotiations, which imply the lifting of Spanish restrictions on Gibraltar on the one hand, and out he other hand, talks and out he other hand, talks about all the Gibraltar-related problems, including the ques-tion of sovereignity."

"I think it is in the interest of the British Government itself to maintain the rhythm of the negotiations, the calendar and the time spans which were worked out some time ago with Spain about Gibraltar."

The independent news-paper El Pais and the monarchist ABC both specu-lated that the Falklands

Reassuring words from the developments night lead to a ruling centre party's foreign postponement of the resto-policy spokesman sen Javier ration of land communications between Gibraltar and the rest of the Iberian Peninsula on April 20.

Señor Carlos Mendo, the former London Correspon-dent of El Pais, remarked that recent progress on the Gibraltar issue was the result of personal contacts between Senor Jose Pedro Perez, Llorca, The Spanish Foreign Minister and Lord Carring-ton, the former Foreign

Secretary.
Senor Mendo also said that the "hypersensitivity of British public opinion at this moment, bordering on hysteria in some communications media" could be expected to inhibit Whitehall in talks aimed at "the recovery by Spain of sovereignty over the Rock."

In a front-page commentary, accompanying a photograph of Royal Navy ships leaving Portsmouth, ABC said that even if the British Government decides to go moment, bordering on hys-

Government decides to go ahead with the scheduled talks in Lisbon on Gibraltar, "it will be up to the Spanish Government to decide whether there is a chance that the encounters might be decide

fruitful."
Leading article in El Pais raised the question whether it was really in Spain's interests to go ahead with the plan. "Would it not be more advidable," the newspaper said "temporarily to suspend the operation until things

World on brink of war, says Gandhi

Delhi, April 6. — Mrs. Indira Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, said today that the global situation was out of control and that the world was "on the brink" of

"No country however powerful feels secure today," she told a political conven-she told a political convention in Jannu, Kashmir. She blamed the international

blamed the international arms race.

Mrs Gandhi said that the Prime Minister of an "important country" had told her that while nobody wanted war, it was possible that everyone would get involved if one broke out. She was apparently referring to Mrs Margaret Thatcher, whom she met last month in she met last month in London.

In another speech Mrs Gandhi told Army troops that India needed to be so strong that no one would dare attack it, and that "even if this was done, we should be in a position to repel such an

☐ Mr Charan Singh, aged 80, the former Indian Prime Minister, who now heads the opposition Lok Dal Party, today announced his decision to retire from "active political life". He told the Press Trust of India: "I have been Trust of India: "I have been thinking of retiring from active political life for the last two years or so, but my friends would not release me. I have, however, now taken a decision to this effect

Islamic challenge to Christians

Inquisition ghosts

From Our Correspondent, Seville, April 6

Nearly half a millenium holding any public or private after the Catholic monarchs ousted the last of the moorish kings, Boabdil, from his elegant fortress palace of the "which has been announced in a multitude of historical essays published in Spain" of the Inquisition and which of constitutional engrantees of freedom of has drawn Christian and Muslim scribes into bitter combat in the land Boabdil

of April 4, 1980, as robed and hooded penitents filed by to about the increasing pres-dirge-like music during a ence and growing influence they week procession in the of Muslims. Apart from an Andalusian city of Selville, estimated 100,000 foreign their shadows projected like shorts from the past in the light of the candles they

Two policemen bustled the youths off to the nearest politics off to the heatest policies station. There Mr Tigur Nur — or Benny Lee Jackson, according to his American passport, was in-terrogated and held for

The other young man, Senor al-Nur Coca Domin-

haunt Andalusia

guarantees of

Senor Coca Dominguez' knew as Al Andaius.

In the early morning hours broader and highly emotional of April 4, 1980, as robed and controversy in Andaiusia controversy in Andalusia about the increasing pres Muslims, there are hundreds, perhaps thousands, of native Spanish converts.

leaflets into the air.

Curious spectators picked them up and read: These costumes are the costumes of the Inquisition. You are celebrating mass murder and bonouring masked killers. Islamic Andalusia was a free Andalusia was a free Andalusia.

The Muslim groups se The Muslim groups seem to be disunited among them selves. At present, the best known one is the Sufficommunity in Cordoba, the city which was the cultural centre of Europe when it was under Moorish domination, and which is led by Emir Mansur Abdes Salam. This is the community to which the community to which Senor Coca Domingues be

Some Spanish journalists and essayists, not quite knowing what to do about the phenomenon, conjuring up visions of another takeover of Spain by the Prophet's followers.

A prominet historian, Señor Claudio Sánchez Al-bornoz, wrote a series of articles, published in a num-ber of Spanish newspapers in which, as he put it, he "broke a lance" in favour of

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assassins in peaked caps.
This procession commemorates the Inquisition and its morbid symbols of terrorism and wholesale slaughter".

15days. Bail, reportedly amounting to 58,000 pesetas (£270) was paid and he left. He has never been heard

Señor al-Nur Coca Dominguez, was interrogated for two days, allegedly about his religion, then released on 100,000 pesetas (£541) bail.
Señor Coca Dominguez, a native Spaniard, a schoolteacher and a convert to the

teacher and a convert to the teacher and a convert to the teachings of Muhammed is "broke a lance" in favour of expected to be brought to the cause of Christian Spain, trial soon in Seville on a denouncing the cruelty of the charge of "disrespectful and medieval caliphs and asking outrageous behavior towards Spanish women how they religion." He faces a sen would like "to once again be tence of up to one year and objects of pleasure in the one day if convicted, in harems" or be sold in slave addition to a six-year bay on markets. religion." He faces a sentence of up to one year and one day if convicted, in addition to a six-year ban on

Britain opposes EEC workers' rights plan From Ian Murray, Brussels, April 6

An informal meeting of employment ministers in Brussels took a preliminary look at the idea. While most countries wanted to await Parliament's decision on the matter, Mr Norman Tebbit, the British Minister, made it clear that legally binding measures on the subject were contrary to the approach of

his Government. Mr Tebbit said that the Government favoured good relations between manage supported by

Britain stood out alone today against proposals for a Community-wide scheme intended to give workers in multinational and large companies the right to consultation and employment protection.

An informal masting of the proposal for a considered that voluntary guidelines such as those laid down by the International Labour Organization and the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development were sufficient, Britain did not like legal compulsion in this area.

The British Government had no objection to individual countries' introducing national legislation of this kind, but he believed it was not something to be imposed on all member states.

France, which is in the process of drawing up legis-lation of this kind, said that experience proved that voluntary standards were not erved unless they

Pym faces hard bargaining on EEC budget

Mr Francis Pym, the new take great skill on Mr Pym's Ecreign Secretary, may have part to prevent this happening. anything but the Falkland

EEC budget, which was due to have been discussed by a special meeting of EEC foreign ministers in Luxem-bourg last Saturday that had to be cancelled because Lord Carrington could not be

present.
Lord Carrington hated the hard grind of EEC negotions, particularly because he so often found himself in the unenviable role of protecting British interests against the assaults of most and sometimes all the other nations. times all the other nations. Nevertheless, he is a pro-foundly committed European and regarded the hard work of the meetings as something of a cross he had to bear on behalf of the European ideal. His convictions not only

won him the respect of his opposite numbers from the other countries, but meant he was prepared to work harder for a compromise than might a more nationalistic minister. Since coming to office, he had amassed a considerable experience and knowledge of the subject which was a vital element in Britain's negotiat-

ing position.
Mr Pym will have to work hard to assimilate the intri-cacies of the dossier before the next meeting of the foreign ministers, now sched-uled for April 27 in Luxem-bourg, He will have to take up the negotiations at a particularly delicate moment, with Britain for once preca-riosly in a camp with nine other countries seeking to persuade France to use a complicated compromise formula as a basis for

position at this meeting could easily swing the other coun-will need all the help they tries impatiently behing the can find to achieve a settle French position and it will ment.

From Ian Murray, Brussels, April 6

Before the April 27 meet-Islands crisis, but he will nevertheless have to start reading himself in very quickly to one of the most complicated dossiers on any minister's desk.

It is the vexed question of Britain's contribution to the Britain's contribution to the Britain's contribution to the start which was discontinuous and the final budget package.

This is because so much of the budget is spent on agriculture that any increases in prices must mean that Britain would have to bear more of the cost of such an increase than any other

Negotiations at the end of last week to fix prices had made considerable progress. There was a growing agreed opinion, that the price rise would have to be of about the would have to be of about the 10.5 per cent average suggested by the European commission and that a revaluation of green rates could be agreed.

The biggest difficulty was in negotiating a price for with France pressing

wine, with France pressing very strongly in the face of almost total opposition that this had to be agreed on its

This alone makes it unlikely that France will on its own decide to implement national aids for its farmers covering the difference between current EEC farm rices and the 10.5 per cent Commission proposal. It would be difficult for France to justify such a move, which would put severe strains on the common agricultural policy at a time when it is one of the main countries holding up agreement on the price package.

The wine dossier is a principle one for behind the scenes negotiation over the next fortnight. Therefore, so that it will be the more easy to agree agriculture prices at the next meeting and so clear the way for a settlement of Any hardening of Britain's the budget question, Britain's negotiators at that meeting will need all the help they

Reagan woos pro-west Caribbean premiers

From Jeremy Taylor, Port of Spain, April 6

Barbados.
The trip was originally planned as a working holiday at the invitation of the veteran film actress Claudette Colbert, but it is now likely to leave Mr Reagan incumbent. United States incumbent United States in the control of the service for the control of the contro little time for sunbathing or talking over old Hollywood

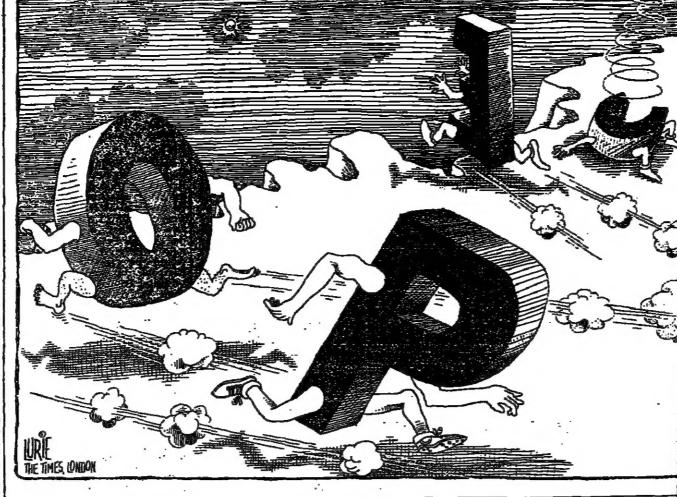
the Prime Minister, his strongest Caribbean sup-porter, while in Barbados he coordinator of Mr Reagan's will meet several pro-Ameri-Caribbean basin initiative last including the Prime Ministers of Barbados, Antigua, clearly to show an American Dominica and St Vincent. commitment to the major Left wing leaders in the pro-Western, free enterprise

President Reagan is due in Prime Minister Mr Michael Jamaica tomorrow for a Pilgrim and Grenada's Prime short official visit on his way Minister, Mr Maurice Bishop to an Easter weekend in have pointedly not been - have pointedly not been invited.

president to set foot in the English speaking Caribbean, here American officials are In Jamaica the President playing down the trip's will meet Mr Edward Seaga, significance. significance.
"Barbados is a nice coun-

can leaders from the smaller week, "and the President eastern Caribbean islands, deserves a vacation." But the real objective is

commitment to the major



Crusaders in a dugout

Iranian guest for martyrdom

From Robert Fisk, Dusalli, Heights, Western Iran, April 6

thick dust in the air. There sand and dirt.
were weapons attached to the When we a

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from Dezful.

There, however, the parallel ended. For the youngest soldier was only 14, his voice unbroken by either fear or adulthood. The oldest was 21, an Islamic volunteer from Iran's "Reconstruction Crusade," who expounded the principles of martyrdom as the guns boomed away disthe guns boomed away dis-

the guns boomed away distantly outside.

We were just six miles from the Iraqi frontier, at the very northern tip of the Iranian Army's newly-extended and potentially vulnerable front-line. Martyrdom is an oft talked-off subject here, much revered because it is much witnessed. because it is much witnessed. The 14-year-old said two of his friends from Kerman had own age and the other only a year older. He had cried, he said, when the authorities delayed his journey to the battlefront. His comments were at one and the same time both incredible and genuine, clearly unstaged since we had only by chance run to his dugout when we took cover from the shell fire

The dugout was small, with this claustrophobic bunker of Quasqavi seemed grateful for the shell burst. "Our first duty," he proclaimed, "is to kill the enemy forces so that God's order will be every-where. Becoming a martyr is d to the When we asked why Ira-framed nians should be so apparently

not a passive thing,

standing somewhere and waiting to be killed. It is an active thing. Hussein, the Third Imam, killed as many

before he was martyred, so we must try to remain alive." If we could not understand

with religion, no longer paying attention to morality

or to the ethics, concentratng only upon materialism. There was no staunching

Tahoe City, California. — Miss Anna-Maria Conrad.

was recovering after spend-ing five days and nights

buried under an avalanche at

Alpine Meadows ski resort

The avalanche killed seven

other skiers. Miss Conrad,

who is 22, was saved by an

air pocket Sft long and 2ft wide. She was unharmed except for a few bruises and slightly frostbitten feet.

his enemies as possible

like

were weapons attached to the mud-and-wooden framed walls — a captured Iraqi sub-machine gun and an auto-soldiers nodded towards a matic rifle — and a few steel young man, bearded and helmets piled in a corner, intense with a rifle in his The light from the sand-baghands, sitting cross-legged on ged doorway forced its way a dirty rug by the entrance, into the little bunker, defining the features of the six difficult — erhaps impossible young Irnaian soldiers in one — to understand Iran's young Irnaian soldiers in one — to understand Irnai's dimensional perspective, like apparent desire for martyran Orpen painting of the dom. But, we asked, did he First World War trenches.

The young man spoke loudly, with monotone passion, preaching rather than answering our question. Hassan Qasqavi, soldier of the volunteer Reconstruction face went beyond such ques-

"It is impossible for you in the West to understand", he said. "We do not seek death but we regard death as a journey from one form of life to another and to be martyred while opposing God's enemies brings us closer to God.

"There are two phases to martyrdom: We approach God, and we also remove the obstacles that exist between God and the people. Those who create obstacles for God in this world are the enemies of God."

There could be no doubt Skier buried tile forces. Indeed, as if on for five days cue from God rather than the Army of President Saddam Hussein of Iraq, there was a loud rumble of artillery and Qasqavi raised his finger towards beaven. . .

We waited to see where the shell would land, fearing the direct hit that soldiers prefer not to think about. There was a bursting explosion outside There was no doubt, however, which of the soldiers the bunker, the vibration most clearly understood the ideology of martyrdom inside

Belgrade wary on détente

From Dessa Trevisau Belgrade, April 6

Mr Andrei Gromykok Soviet Foreign Minister, on leaving Belgrade that two-day visit had been useful and necessary, tinuing the impression the talks had helpe clarify respective pos but that differences rem

Mr Gromyko, how refused to commen President Reagan's pro to meet Mr Brezhnev is this, Quasqavi explained it was because the European Renaissance had done away York later this year. As Mr Bromyko w first high ranking Russ visit Yougslavia since dent Tito's death in

this monologue, no oppor-tunity to transfuse this belief with arguments about hu-manism or love. "Europe and manism or love. "Europe and the West have confined spiritual issues to the corner of churches", Quasqavi went on "Western people are like fin in the water, they can only understand their im-mediate surroundings. They don't care about spirituali-

He bade us goodbye with no ill will, offering us fresh confined to two maje Shiraz oranges as we left the dugout for the dangerous, bright sand outside. ers alone.

> could peace be a lasting one Nevertheless the final

The visit therefore ended

1980, the visit was talk almost entirely by talk international affairs.

The object of the v the Soviet Union, was Yugoslavia's blank support for Mr Bres proposals for peace although Yugoslavia comed the proposals principle that anything t disarmament was w t still maintains the vi cannot support

The view was empisized when Mr Josip kovec Yugoslavia's Foreign dinister, said that only by moving the causes of ision, which in the Yugoslaview force and intervention

Nevertheless traces commingue underlies generalties on which the sides could easily agreement, such necessity of stopped

by reaffirming rejective positions but the boslavs went further than to Soviet proposals as a ste

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that virtually the entire workforce was engaged not in manufacturing computers but in improvising much needed car spares.

Letter from Moscow

Galloping automania

afflicts Russians

Go to a smart party in Moscow nowadays and you will find people clustered

round the guest of honour, filling up his drink, inviting him to their dachas, and surreptitiously scribbling

down his private phone number. It man be a well-

number. It man be a well-known actor or poet, but more likely the star of the evening is someone every top official wants to get to know — a good garage mechanic.

The age of the automobile

has descended on the Russians with a vengeance. The business of buying, running and maintaining a car must

be more time-consuming and fray more tempers in this country than almost anywhere else. It is not simply that cars are hard to

get and cost a great deal.
You have to be a crook, a
millionaire of a self-taught
mechanic if you want to
keep you car on the road.

keep you car on the road.

Car production is outstripping that of spare parts and the growth of garages at an alarming rate. Of 750,000 new vehicles produced each year, the state repair stations can handle only 38 per cent. One newspaper calculated that a private motorist in the provinces spends on average 60 hours to get one

age 60 hours to get one repair performed. And even then he cannot be sure his

car comes home any better. A spot check at Moscow's

central service station for Zhiguli cars — the popular version of the Fiat — found

excessive exhaust emission in seven cars in a row which

had just had their carburet-

tors adjusted.

When the inspector tested the brakes of one car it.

practically refused to stop. The station foreman ex-plained that the car's new

brake shoes would perform poorly "only for the first 20 to 50 kilometres"; but said that in any case the garage was simply asked to fit them, not to make sure they worked.

Making spares

is new

The answer of course is to get the job done privately on the side — as half all Soviet car-owners do. For this you need a good mechanic who can not only

I know of a man who

broke down near Kursk in.

the depths of southern Russia. He was told be.

weeks for the required part.

but he could find help at the

local computer factory.

When he made, the right contact there, the man was apologetic because he could

not provide that particular part on the spot. "But wait a couple of hours, and we'll

get it made." It turned out

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It is worse if you are one of the few lucky Russians to beast a foreign car—the ultimate in prestige. The problem is that diplomats problem is that diplomats who ship home their new Mercedes, or ballet stars, who use the cash earned on foreign tours to get a Volvo, do not realize the toll the Russian winter and the spring roads take on even the hardiest foreign car. And back home there are no foreign car agents of available sums of foreign currency to import stares.

rency to import spares.

Of course, the mechanics at the state garage that services foreigners' cars have not been slow to see their way to a fortune. If you send your Volvo in to get the wheels balanced. you may find it comes home minus six os seven vital engine parts. It demands a great deal of vodka and other worthwhile considerations to ensure the mech-anic's loyalty is to you and not to his other clients.

> Service stations... may go into private sector

Most Russians remove any extras that can be purloined: wing mirrors often find their way into women's handbags as make-up mirrors and windscreen wipers can vanish in five minutes. There was a nice irony when Christina Orassis married her Russian husband in Moscow. As the happy couple emerged from the Palace of Weddings, the richest woman in the world was escored to her husband's waiting grey Nolga, from which he had carefully detached the wipers in case; they were nicked during the wedding cer-

But all this does not dampen rising automania in the Soviet Union. Georgians are the worst affected. I was once approached by a swarthy man as I was getting into my modest Zhiguli and offered thousands of roubles in cash on the spot. When the British Ambassador was rash enough to take the official Rolls down to Georgia a few years ago, his party had to fend off prospective buyers who produced astronomical mechanic who can not only get away with moonlighting, but can lay his hands on the clusive spare, parts...

The simplest way is to steal them from the state garages, thus making the shortages, worse. Some enterprising mechanics fashion the required pieces on home lathes, and this has grown into quite a cottage industry. sums in fat wads from their pockets. It is even rumoured that, one by one, cars from the exotic fleet in President Brezhnev's stable have been finding their way down to the southern freeofficials. Soviet

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seriously talking now about turning the service stations over to the priivate sector in order to cope, and experiments have began on these lines in the Bakic republics. Officials have tried everything to back the sales of cars, from doubling the price of petrol to lengthening the waiting lists for purchases.

Michael Binyon

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awfulness of their lives in the
rolling mill, whilst everyone rolling mill, whilst everyone wanted a great deal more authority— as, indeed, of everything else they already possessed in abundance, this being the West Coast of America in Desmond Morris's new series, The Human Race (Thames).

Best of all is to be a Californian bishop and dress in the clothes of the Euro-pean Counter-Reformation: that way you not only reach the alter unmolested down a broad division of the devout and get to christen the baby or confirm the child, but you are. Dr Morris told us, invested with the Authority of Time. Which brings us back to the Pope.

Despite a trick of speaking about the media as if it were a distasteful social disease virulent beyond the Everyman patch, Peter France's doctrinal summary of Karel Wojtyla was instructive and sharp, the best programme of the night. The silliest, by far, the night. The silliest, by far, was The Human Race, whose ingredients — freeways, tits, Vivaldi, bums, drums and sunset over the Bay became as predictable as its avalogies between primitive and sophisticated human and animal behaviour now seem glib, dated and banal.

QED, also new last night, should turn out less homogenized since it aims to popularize general science, medicine and technology in a different wash weak the different way each week: the first programme was fun, but fey. Wally K. Daly's play was unsentimental and touching: the pub clown died of cencer, and the son grew up in the days around the death: The message was that of Storey, Barstow and Braine: get out narstow and Braine: get out now, even if you come back later, and the boy did. Well acted by Mark Botham and Kenneth Farrington; pro-ducer, Innes Lloyd, director Gerald Blake.

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"For years I have wanted to do a film about mankind's start — the last lap before modern man," says Jean-Jacques Annaud, director of Quest for Fire. His film opens in London tomorrow after success in Annaud's native Paris, and the United States, where it has assumed an immediate cult status. Prehistory has attracted film-makters before, but rarely seriously. "I looked at several — Raquel Welch with the tory has attracted film-mak. Kadi, the gentler Gaw, spent ers before, but rarely seriously. "I looked at several — Raquel Welch with the moulded latex face masks dinosaurs in One Million years BC and Prehistoric an ape-like aspect. Perlman, a way New Yorker, comments: bikinis walking through a "They stayed put, even in 115 shepperton forest." Annuad degree heat, but it was has used a novel by J. H. Rösny Senior, published in And you couldn't sweat through them. At the end of the day when they took them France in 1911, as the basis of his film, which attempts to conjure up a realistic paleolithic Europe 80,000 year ago, with vast, untamed plains and mountain ranges, swamps and dense forests, where herds of mammoths and sabre-toothed tigers are still extant. sharing existence the sabre toothed to the sabre toothed tigers are still extant. Sharing existence the sabre toothed to the sabre toothed tigers are still extant. extant, sharing existence with humans in various stages of development

ages of development. the Screen Actors' Guild "Gerard Brack [Polanski's strike foiled production. With screenwriter on many films from Knife in the Water onwards and I agreed that the book as it stood was a disaster, and we quickly left it behind. But there was a secretary in it I lead this it behind. But there was something in it I loved — this sense of prehistoric fear.

"It's like science fiction without the technology, but with the feelings. Hardly anything is known of these early men, but it is not hard to see that those with intelligence could win and survive. Possession of fire meant the ability to make metal tools, to cease to be primitive. There was some-thing mystical about the flame. Once they had it they

Anthony Burgess to devise a language for the film, so that the actors communicate in real. r, and the boy did. Well in the actors communicate in the actors communicate in the actors, says Annaud, "I real words rather than use a long less for much of grunts. Burgess applied the time. I fechnique kills art. himself to the task of I stay far enough away that creating a prehistoric philitrey are not aware of the close with relish. Similarly, technique. I wanted them to Desmond Morris was asked feel free. This is not a film

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Naoh (left), Gaw and Amoukar (Everett McGill, Nameer El-Kadi and Ron Perlman) take refuge from a tiger

a director comes from as a director comes from scene directing good actors and the Canada.

The hardest part was shooting with animals, parshooting with animals, par-ticularly the elephants." Jimmy Chipperfield rounded up a number of circus elephants who were dis-patched to the Scottish highlands and given hairpieces and lengthy tusks to simulate mammoths. They were a disaster. On the first ditions the cast raced con-ditions ranging from the bone-rotting chill of the Cairngorms to the baking heat of a Kenyan soda lake, wearing only their skins, or in the case of the girl, Rae day they charged the wrong way, destroying the camera tent. Fourteen elephants trampled on the equipment boxes containing cameras, lenses, filters, spares worth thousands, and miraculously (a great tribute to the sturdiness of Samuelson's cases) not a single one was broken. On the second day again they went in an direction.

Dawn Chong, a coat of grey paint with chipmunk stripes.
"If Jean-Jacques wants us to act miserable then he believes that the circumstances must be miserable' says Perlman after a hard day at Lake Magadi, near the Tanzania border. "It's very easy to find oneself making a straight into a morass, and one of their number nearly drowned. Filming was at a standstill while a hundred people tried to work out how to extricate an elephant from a Scottish bog scarcely an everyday problem. On the third day the recalcitrant creatures attacked their cos-tumes and tore their furry rugs off. On the fourth day they ran on past the camera and stampeded the wardrobe

with elaborate special effects

the lab technique did not of those within, sheltering fit the picture. The pleasure from the cold. Eventually the scene was completed in

Annand is 38, infectiously enthusiastic, at his best when the going is rough. He likes to regard himself as the Gallic equivalent of Alan Parker and Ridley Scott. Like them he was a highly suc-cessful director of television commercials. He dropped his lucrative career at roughly the same time as they did and moved into features. His first, a satire on war and colonialism in Africa, Black and White in Colour, won an Academy Award. His second was Coup de Tête, a send-up of bourgeois hyprocrisy in a small French town. Quest for Fire is only his third film; he does not believe in churning them out.

"A yery busy director will do a film a year. I'll do one every three. I believe in staying very close to my work — I think that must be a European attitude. I cannot plan out my career a long way ahead. In a way I admire people who can write another film while they are shooting one. Even as we sit here in this Nairobi restaurant at dinner, the only thing I have in the forefront of my mind is the scene that I shall be shooting tomorrow."

Dance

Opera Nureyev's Paris The Force of Destiny

Dominion

them to drop the project. Another company, Twentieth Century-Fox, picked it up but

then became a French-Canadian project (some

scenes were actually shot in

Canada) and Scotland was substituted for Iceland. For

months the cast faced con-

Whether it be destiny, accident or coincidence that plots the moves in the operation narrative, it can only seek theatrical salvation through Verdi's music. For various reasons this was far from being achieved when the Welsh National Opera decided to open their week-long Amoco Festival of Opera with it on Monday. Odd to announce it as La

forza del destino when it is sung in English, although I sung in English, although I should have remembered that its East German producer, Joachim Herz, prefers opera always to be given in the language of its audience. Presumably in this case he is anxious for the political message to get across having altered (with consent) some message to get across towning altered (with consent) some passages in Andrew Porter's translation so as to give it not only "social relevance" but a racialist slant which is seen to be reinforced by the

casting.
It cannot be said to help much else, for both the black tenor Moises Parker, as Don Alvaro, and the white bari-tone Norman Phillips, as the vengeful Don Carlos, sounded greatly overstrained by the vocal demands, especially in their confrontations. The tenor was at least ingratiating in tone, but their inadequacy for these particular
roles called in question such
a choice of opera for the
Welsh company's repertory.

Welsh company's repetitions of the meaning was a redeeming feature, giving the music its required breadth and spirit, and drawing a notably good orchestral response. Elizabeth Vaughan had the meaning of Leonora in vocal sure of Leonora in vocal character, though not in sustained line: her scene with Don Garrard's splendid Father Superior was the highpoint of a performance which; as a warning to the unwary, runs more than two hours thefore the first (and hours before the first (and only) interval, shoved in the middle of Act III.

For much of this time thought the production held the sprawling narrative together quite well in spite of generally dour designs.
Thereafter not even the
excellent chorus singing
could save it from failing apart amid the topless incursions in the tarantella (Claire Powell a spirited Preziosilla). The abrupt return to Verdi's first ending, discarding the final trio, is neither musically nor dramatically persuasive.

When Rudolf Nureyev walks into the ballet director's administrator, Massimo office at the Paris Opera in Bogdianckino.

September next year he will be taking on one of the most difficult, but potentially rewarding, jobs to be found in the world of dance today. One of the oldest companies in Europe, the ballet of the Paris Opera can trace its foundation back to 1661. It has also proved in recent has also proved in recent years to be one of the hardest to direct and, since the resignation of Serge Lifar in 1959, has seen a succession of directors, few of whom have lasted for more than a few years. Throughout its history, which in the last decade has

included at least one closure, and any number of strikes by both dancers and technicians, the dancers and technicians, the dancers have maintained an astonishingly high level of technical attainment, as London audiences will see for themselves when the company visits Covent Gardon Indicates the vear What is company visits Covent Garden in July this year. What it has lacked since the departure of Lifar is a leader strong enough, and with adequate backing, to cope with the byzantine intrigues of the rigidly structured house. Nureyev, it is widely thought, will carry this kind thought, will carry this kind of authority and has worked

His contract runs for three

years, starting with the 1983-84 season (Rosella Hightower, the outgoing director whose resignation is effective from July this year, has agreed to stay on for one further season). Nureyev's contract requires him to be with the company for 180 days, roughly half the year, and he will dance with them about 40 times each season.

He will be responsible for He will be responsible for staging or choreographing one new production each year, and in a recent converstion he indicated that these were likely to be standard classical works. Likely stagings are his own productions of The Nutcracker and Romeo and Juliet. He also has in mind a new production of Swan Lake, but for this, rather than importing the production he made for the ballet of the Vienna Staatsoper, he spoke of mounting a er, he spoke of mounting a version as close as possible to the 1895 Petipa original.

Another condition he has insisted on is the continuance of the regular seasons outside the Opera which have been a feature of Hightower's regime.

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To most bandleaders, the problem of replacing the prodigious Marsalis brothers, whose own ensemble made its bow in New York last week, would have been terrifying. For Art Blakey, however, it is merely another chapter in the history of the Jazz Messengers since 1954; wisely, he uses such goings and comings to maintain the group in a constant state of creative alertness.

The holdovers from the Messengers who so memorably visited Frith Street towards the end of last year are Bill Pierce, the tenor saxophonist whose gravity and self-possession never distill into mere solemnity, and whose ideas are so complex as to suggest those complex as to suggest those of Warne Marsh translated to a hard-bop context, and Charles Fambrough, now perhaps the best double-bassist of his kind, which is to say that he can walk a 4/4 with huge authority and considerable imagination.

Noël Goodwin | To fill the gaps in the front

line left by the departing Marsalises, Blakey has gone to the same source: the to the same source. The trumpeter Terry Blanchard and the alto saxophonist Donald Harrison are both men from New young men from New Orleans, and although it orleans, and almough it would be devaluing recent (and carefully chosen) superlatives to compare them favourably with their immediate predecessors, they give the same impression of their all second in and ready. being all gassed up and ready to burn rubber.

Blanchard has some of Wynton Marsalis's audacity, tempered with a likable diffidence; his momentum splutters sometimes, but ideas cartwheel off at unexpected tangents. At the moment, Harrison is the more interesting player; he has a big, commanding tone, full of life, and allows careering up-tempo lines to splinter into seemingly op-posed but brilliantly linked fragments. Together with Pierce, they maintain throughout the unit's outstanding repertoire the sense of barely suppressed ensemble power which was a hallmark of the last line-up.

Richard Williams

Theatre

Unjustified privilege

Beyond the **Footlights**

Lyric, Hammersmith

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The Cambridge Footlights supply a perennial exception to the rule that lightning never strikes twice in the same place; and this consti-tutes a perennial hazard to each new generation of undergraduate entertainers emerging from the university stage only to be told they are not as good as Jack Hulbert, Jonathan Miller or John Cleese.

There is nothing in this show that tempts you to predict a glittering theatrical future for any of the five members of the company, but jointly their personalities and separate skills do form an effective company, and an unusual merit in Oxbridge revue — they spend at least as much time in making fun of themselves as in having a jolly good old sneer at the world outside.

world outside.

A strong sense of unjustified privilege runs through the show, as in Emma Thompson's hippophilic envy of working-class children who go to day schools and thus escape being separated from their ponies for three

Polish CO/

Maksymiuk

Barbican Hall

Within a short while, Jerzy

they are playing two pro-

good deal in its acoustics, albeit as orchestral conduc-tor rather than concerto

soloist, and must have been

Except that the harpsi-

chord continuo gave, for my taste, rather too discreet

support to his string collea-

The soft countertheme, in

the first movement, was boldly dapper, almost fop-

always its music in sharp, exhilarating focus. The violin

torium.

making.

ideological torment he went through before accepting a whacking grant from the UGC. They even have a heartfelt blues on lacking anything to feel blue about.

France molections of freeze into a hangman's smirk.

The other theme running through the show is that of Victorian parody, as with an amended version of Dracula

Frequent projections of the placid Cambridge scene, together with a hulking teddy bear baring its teeth upstage, serve as a constant reminder that the five know where they are at and feel uneasy about it: and when they move out of this cocoon it is with the knowledge of what they have learnt inside it.

The various boss figures bullying attorneys, captains of industry—are built up from the model of a tutor who cannot remember a student's surname but finds it deeply suspicious that his

The specialist in top dogs is Stephen Fry, a harmless lanky figure who seems built for nothing more energetic than pouring out dry sherries, but who possesses thus escape being separated an unnerving gift for repeating back harmless remarks whole months, and Hugh Laurie's description of the allowing a charming smile to

(the castle door is opened by a ghoul called Travolta), and a Dickensian last chapter where the orphaned heroine is reunited with her fatherly

is reunited with her fatherly protector who briskly orders her down to the kitchens.

These are mildly amusing, as are an education debate conducted in Unwinisms, a stream - of - consciousness chess match and a running gag featuring a sculpture gag featuring a sculpture called "Conversation Piece" which strikes its viewers

dumb. However, with the excep-tion of the concluding Ayckbourn charade, there is nothing you could call hilariir deeply suspicious that his friends call him Kim. It is only one move from this collegiate ogre to the beaming executive who has just published a pamphlet on "Sacking for Pleasure", and the Cabinet resolution to dispatch Edward Fox to sort out the Argentines.

The specialist in top dogs is Stephen Fry, a harmless. somebody famous" as the one item where the show breaks out of its undergraduate shell to say something direct and frightening about the life beyond it.

Irving Wardle

Concerts

His technique was tested to

the full in the finale of the eleventh concerto in D, but he held his own (he even encored two movements). His musicianship was heard at its Within a short while, Jerzy Maksymiuk and his Polish Chamber Orchestra have established themselves as firm favourites here, through records and visits. It is good to hear them so soon in the new Barbican Hall, where they are playing two orchests. greatest in the C minor concerto called "Sospetto", whose manner closely approaches J. S. Bach. There was never a moment when Menuhin's audibility was in doubt, in a hall where soloists are supposed still to be acoustically underprivileged. grammes. On Monday they already sounded at home there: it may not be irrelevant that their soloist for the evening was Yehudi Menuhin, who has worked a monday they account to the soloist for the th

William Mann

Perlman/Canino

able to pass useful tips to his Polish colleagues about projection of tone and orchestral balance in the new audi-Festival Hall

When the C major Fantasy, D934, for violin and piano had its first performance, in Vienna in 1828, the year of Schubert's death, a news-paper critic wrote: "The hall gues, the performance of Handel's A major Concerto Grosso from the Op 6 set, typified Maksymiuk's musicgradually emptied and your correspondent admits that he, too, is unable to say how this piece finished." Well, Itzhak Perlman and Bruno Caning played it on Monday and, like everyone else in the pish, yet so exactly con-and, like trolled as to remain always Festival well-mannered. The fugue the end. maintained a spry pace, Festival Hall, I stayed until

Though not well known, its Deutsch number indicates that the Fantasy was written in proximity to such works exhitarating focus. The violation solo passages were exquisitely delivered by Jan Stanienda, as if to say "Trump that, Yehudi". as the Winterreise song cycle and E flat Piano Trio. But Stanienda, as if to say and E flat Piano Trio. But after a characteristically on the concertor from Vivaldi's celebrated Op 8, and out came the trumps. Menubin excels in music which he has known for a long time, but does not often play at concerts; he loves it especially if it is difficult, as much in these concertos is.

Maksymiuk did not allow him

and E flat Piano Trio. But after a characteristically poetic introduction, played with great purity on this occasion, this is a quite different proposition. In place of, say, the private griefs of Winterreise, there is a grandiose brilliance, and Schubert in fact composed it for Josef Slavik, whom Chopin later called "a second Paganini".

to dawdle, but Menuhin was game, and gave us classical will playing to clean the piano took full advantage cars and ravish the senses. piano — took full advantage of the opportunities it offered, their interpretation was, of course, an acutely musical one. Indeed, there was much highly expressive playing in the Fantasy's central variations, these being on Schubert's earlier song, "Sei mir Gegrusst".

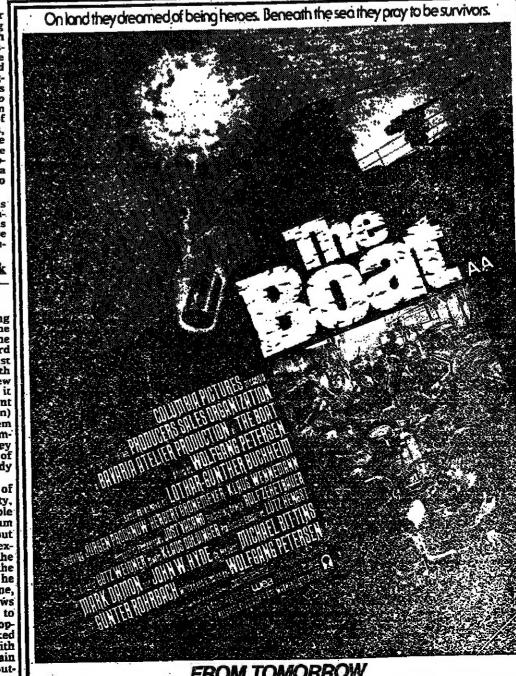
This piece was preceded by a Sonata in D major by Handel, a substantial and comparatively late work. Mr Periman's violin tone was eautifully sweet in the two slow movements, which had a striking air of spaciousness. The two Allegros were decisive yet utterly relaxed, the contrapuntal features of the first being nicely pointed by each performer. However, I must confess that I found that the personner than the these less engaging than the canonic writing in Schubert's opening movement when his first Hungarian style theme

Stravinsky based his ballet
The Fairy's Kiss on music by Tchaikovsky and later ar-ranged an orchestral suite from it which he named prom it which he hands
Divertimento. The Divertimento for violin and piano
derives from this, being,
therefore, Stravinsky's reduction of his arrangement
of his recomposition of
Trhaikovsky's original pieces. In the hands of Messrs Perlman and Canino both composers survived

various processes well.

In this form the Divertimento is, in fact, an agreeably astringent set of four movements, and Monday's reading balanced an appreciation of the music's inventive with a wholly ant feeling wit with a wholly apt feeling of intellectual excitement. On melodic, harmonic and especially rhythmic planes Stravinsky makes countless departures from Tchaikovsky's texts, and we were led towards a proper understand-ing of their significance.

Max Harrison



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LINO VENTURA - MICHEL SERRAULT - ROMY SCHNEIDER

in CLAUDE MILLER'S gripping psychological drama

By jingo, we're all rooting for you

Members of the numerous but not usually very gregarious British community in Washington were by last Saturday closing. ranks. Expatriates who have not thought of home for years met and abruptly asked each other if they had yet enlisted. Even those who have all but renounced their allegiance to the Queen for the pecuniary rewards of working as an international civil servant in the World Bank had a rush of blood to their heads.

A rather dour acquaintance, who one has always suspected must have come here after being cashiered from the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers for an unspeakable offence, brightened appreciably as he said: "I did not think that there would ever again be the occasion to fight for the empire". Another waxed with indignation as he corrected an American: "By God, man, do you not understand that it is a crown

There were 50 princesses in the city on Saturday, each from a different state, celebrating the annual cherry blossom festival. But not even they could compete with the news, which, with pardonable exaggeration, was whispered through the crowds on Constitution Avenue: "Prince Andrew is leading the Queen's Navee". It was an affecting day for Her Majesty's subjects here but what mattered more was how it affected the Americans.

We had steeled ourselves to meet the attempts at a graceless and disparaging humour. In the opening to almost every story the Falkland Islands were de-scribed as "remote" or "ob-scure". Washington's own and very funny political satirist. Mr Mark Russell, a nightclub performer, was appearing at a private party on Saturday. He began by suggesting that Mr Alexander Haig had difficulty in finding where the islands were.

An Englishman shouted a warning that HMS Invincible was on its way. It was a shot across Mr Russell's bows, which he seemed deliberately to mishear.

ing house of D. C. Thomson.

unchanging Dandy ever

young man of promise who

eventually ascended, by way

Independent Broadcasting

was followed some

Some of the Falkland Islands

early settlers were Chelsea pensioners. A number of the kelper families now under Argentine military rule are descendants of a detachment of Chelsea pensioners sent to the Falklands by the War Office as sarrison-color

the War Office as garrison-colo-

erans chosen for the experiment were Chelsea out-pensioners.

They were given pre-fabricated wooden houses, initial supplies of

fuel and food and 10 acres of

land. At first most of them hated

given a few years later to return to England, only a few did so.

Some had become good gardeners

and others found work in the

growing ship-repairing industry. Age was on their side: most of

the pensioners were in their early

forties or younger and one, James Brown, "pensioner and carpenter", was only 24.

Corned beef corner

It may prove difficult, in the two

or three weeks it will take the

naval task force to reach the

Falklands, to keep up the spirit of jingoism and bellicosity which

I fear, take some of the cheerful-ness out of national pride. As a

token of how seriously it regards the crisis, the English Tourist

Board has decided to suspend the

Today's jingoistic gesture will,

has swept the nation.

Yet when the opportunity was

Most of the 30 married vet-

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Barnes has run the curiously

"HMS Principal?" he queried with a sniff; or did he mean "HMS Principle"? Backed by the huzzas of a few or our countrymen, even less numerous than the garrison on the Falklands, the Englishman warned that they were an advance naval party.

It seemed clear that we were to be met only "with scoffs, and scorns and contumelious taunts". But when Mr Russell at last came to sing his ditty about the evil aggression, he had a pleasant and even exhilarating surprise in his four stanzas. He writes his new material in response to the day's events quickly. But not even he could have altered his song on his feet as a result of the shot across his

He had set his words to a jaunty, rather Gilbert-and-Sullivan martial air, but not one word failed to punch home. In his first

No-one could compete with the news: Prince Andrew is leading the **Queen's Navee'**

stanza, he flayed Argentina, savagely mocking its preten-sions. Listing the components of its invasion force, he concluded with "the cast of Evita". The brave huzzas of the small British contingent were now drowned by the swelling chorus of high-spirited Yankee support.

In his second stanza, his tinkling on the piano only reinforcing his words, he fired his broadside. Having once held back the Nazis single-handed, the British were now being invaded by the Nazis' grandsons. As he let the last line fly — something like "The grandsons of Bormann, and Hitler, et al" — the Yankee laughter broke into cheers. George III could have entered the party and heen entered the party and been carried shoulder-high.

So to the parting shot in the last line of the song. The British

had discovered that the invasion was an Irish plot. There could have been no more unexpected or funnier ending. But the laughter which erupted also carried wave after wave of resounding cheers. Unmistakably they were anti-Argentina and pro-British. The Englishman who had led the first assault with his small band felt like Sir Roger

Keyes at Zeebrugge. The party was being held to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the opening of a bar near the White House, used mainly by politicians and journalists and those who hang about the margins of both professions. Therefore most of the packed audience were regulars who are politically sensitive, which means that their reactions may not be characteristic of ordinary nericans. But it no less means that they are interesting.

One could feel the two unmistakable sentiments being woven together by Mr Russell; the surge of pro-British feeling that simply warmed the cockles of one's heart; and the release of a one's heart; and the release of a pent-up impatience and disgust with all the shabby dictatorships of Latin America. The mastery in Mr Russell's song was precisely the linking of Britain's stand against the Nazis who fled to Argentina to all the wretched South American dictatorships.

Even if the audience was: politically uncharacteristic in its sophistication and sensitivity, it was composed mostly of people who to some degree both regis-ter and form public opinion. There is a growing distaste and resentment in the United States at the way the Administration seem willing to truckle to any corrupt and violent regime if only it can present right-wing credentials to satisfy Mr Reagan.

If the British throw the Argentines out of the Falkland Islands, more Americans than perhaps Mr Reagan realizes will stand up and cheer. They cheered and even marvelled when the British in one afternoon repossessed an embassy in London, while all the power of

people out of its own embassy in Teheran. They will cheer again if the British, in a famous meta-phor, now hit the Argentines for

One returns then to the serious expressions of opinions here. The newspapers begin by nere. The newspapers begin by making allowance for what The New York Times calls "the comic-opera aspects of the event". The Washington Post on Sunday could not decide how to place these comic sense. place these comic aspects. On its front page, it referred to the whole affair as "a cross between a nineteenth century melodrama and a Peter Sellers farce". In its editorial, it said that the crisis

has "an Alec Guinness quality".

But before The Washington
Post discovers that it is all much more like Margaret Rutherford in an Agatha Christie film — or the Goon Show or even Itma, if its memory stretched back so far one must read on to what these solemn organs of opinion have really said in the intensity of their first animadversions They are clearly and firmly pro-British and anti-Argentina, and add the weight to Mr Russell's act and his audience's response.

Mrs Thatcher needs the voice of Elizabeth I to her army at Tilbury . . .

The Washington Post says: "The British do not appear to be in a mood to be pushed around; The Brits have nothing to apologize for in the Falklands". It goes on: "Argentina committed aggression. By doing so it removes itself from consideration as an American partner in other hemispheric matters". What one must notice again are the complementary wishes that Argentina and not Britain should humilated.

The New York Times says of Argentina: "Beyond that, the Administration will have to think

the US could not get its own seriously about its relations wit a regime that, for all its verb tirades against communist provides grain and comfort the Soviet Union, but main human rights embarrassmen and military affronts to western friends". All of the reactions are vital. The British need to realize that they do n only have sympathy here but can have support

This is a time for the Brita Government to play skilfully with candour on American of nion. Having launched a lar naval force, it must intend, a be seen to be intending exercise of power it represen Her Majesty's Ministers campt let Prince Andrew lead the charge — for that is the symbol on which Americans have filed — and then order him to retuat like the Grand Old Duke of Y

Britain can command wile popular and deeply inforted support here. It cannot purple its ends only through an Am can Administration which soiled and tied its bands in L America. There is a poten public support for Britain as it has not really existed s the Suez operation. If Americans cannot win t days, then, by jingo, they rooting for the British to win

What is needed from Thatcher is the voice of Quen Elizabeth I to her arms Tilbury: "I know I have the Tilbury: "I know I have the edy
of a weak and feeble woman but
I have the heart and stomac of
a king, and of a king of England
too, and think foul scorn that
Parma or Spain or any print Parma or Spain, or any print of Europe should dare to invadithe borders of my realm; to wach, rather than any dishonour shall grow by me, I myself will ake

And I may also be allowed to speak for the British copy here: Your Majesty, your syal subjects here are ready, a sall contingent, but with our risted swords, last used at Markon Moor in defence of the Criwn, already taken from the wallie.

Times Newspapers Limited,

One person one vote: the only way for Labour

lished on how constituencies, votes should be cast in the voted in last year's deputy constituency section before leadership-contest. Today the any future contest is held in report goes to Labour's NEC the electoral college. with a request, for action.

place of a franchise limited to MPs, power was to be shared with the trade unions

Twenty-one constituencies organized a one person, one vote system because they believed this was the only way party members would be able to have a say in the and to have a say in the contest. Some members argued against the postal ballot on the grounds that an important principle was at stake and that only those who were prepared to give the minimum support of coming to a meeting should be allowed to vote.

Most of the 21 constitu-

encies organized a postal vote. Three constituencies organized a ballot on the basis of local and general election procedures. Postal balloting certainly led to a bigher turn out involving. higher turn-out, involving-often more than two-thirds of

the membership.
A total of 19 constituencies. carried out branch ballots, but, surprisingly, there was no single way branches undertook to consult their

Some branches invited people to the branch meetchildren's comic mark. The Dandy is unlikely see again its heyday of the early 1950s when it was seebe 2.2 million copies a week Thomson's claim that no chaic in the world, before of since, has equalled that circulation.

D. C. Thomson's whose flagship, the Dundee Tourier remains the only British daily newspaper with front page of small advertisements, are deeply secretive about circulation figures. That is known is that a quester of the Dandy readership turns over each year fain the

transport for members who would otherwise be unable to over each year from the inevitable process of reing.

Barnes's successor owner Dandy chief sub-edit. David. come, and this kind of offer. together with how well the branch arganized itself, helps Dandy chief sub-edit David Torrie, will hope for a regular supply of year-olds ready to enter the world of biffs, yikes and arrighs, of Greedy Pigg and Screwy. Driver, where every entence ends with an extination mark and the hight of violence is a slippe fon the backside. to account for the difference in turn-out at branch meetings. One branch reported a turn-out of 77 per cent of those eligible to vote, while another recorded a turn-out as low as 20 per-cent.

Nine parties held a mass. meeting of members to decide their choice for deputy leader. Most made it a big event with a number of attractions other than voting

for the deputy leader.
One of the unexpected consequences of the electoral: college is that it has brought into being differenct clas of ordinary Labour Party members — those who vete in leadership elections and those who cannot. Some members are given the vote in leadership contests white others are disenfranchized. unless they are on their local party's general committee. The NEC needs to act to

ensure that all party mem-

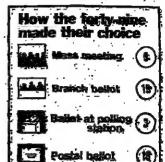
Democracy is breaking out all: over the Labour Party, but in some unexpected and only way forward is, for the certainly unplanned ways.

NEC to back the principle of That is the main finding of one person, one vote and to the first report to be pub-

Our survey showed there It was the famous Wembley are four important issues on Conference which decided on a change in how Labour's (i) Who is eligible? Many parties reported difficulty in place of a franchise limited was not eligible to vote. Some decided that members had to No decision was taken on others of six months' standing, how the voting should be ing, while some parties conducted in these two sections, although it was the intention of some to limit the intention.

intention of some to limit the constituency party's franchise to the small core of activists who make up each local party's governing body—the general committee. That is not how the reform has worked out in practice.

After all the ballyhoo of electing the deputy leader had died down we wrote in Labour's three weeklies asking for information on parties who extended the franchise beyond the hard core of activists. Forty-nine constituencies organized a one person, one



(iii) What timetable?: It is. important to lay down a timetable for future contests. Not only is this desirable so that campaigns don't rumble on for six or more months, but it is also crucial in getting information to local members. One constituency reported that these branches which met early in the month decided their votes before the literature from candidates

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liferature from candidates arrived.
(iv) Rigging the result: In view of the lack of ground rules some constituency parties behaved less than openly. One party member was no mention of the leadership contest at her branch meeting until she raised the ing until she raised the

Without clear ground rules the chances are that poorer members will be excluded. We know that the poor are less likely to attend meetings than other people, and in stances, a postal vote is essential Indeed this was the view to which some members came after they had organized a branch ballot.

After completing our survey other parties told us that this too, had extended the franchise to ordinary mem-bers, And already a number of parties which did not do so last time have decided to ballot all their members in band an uter members in any future contest. Most Britons regard one person, one-vote as the basic way for making democratic decisions, This principle is now being firmly rooted in the electoral college. The NEC should issue guidelines to encourage its spread to all constituency parties and standardise the form of the election pro-

David Cowling and Frank Field.

David Cowling is research assistant to Mr. Peter Share Frank Field is Labour MP for

The man who came up with a corker

by Alan Hamilton





Comic turns: left, the first issue of The Dandy in 1937, and right, the 1982 version. Can you tell the difference?

Authority.
"Desperate Dan was the months later by an equally kind to be found in Tom and man in the world; a man who could chew iron and spit rust. I told the artist to base him on me and give him a chin like a chest of drawers", Barnes recalls.

Thomsons wanted a county of the strongest of the original cast of characters. Keyhole Kate and sufficient and another early character, kick against the traces can unfortunately named famous stablemate, Beano. Thomsons wanted a picture comic for children, aged six to 10, of equal appeal to boys and girls, to complement their "famous five" clutch of skin and water pistol humour fuel to the suspicion that, scoring points over parents, deep down, Argentines have teachers and policemen. But alway been regarded as no one ever really gets hurt. children's story papers, Wizard, Hotspur, Rover, Wizard, Hotspur, Rover, Adventure and Skipper. It was an innovation in the world of children's comics,

advertisement of its Maritime

England promotion, perhaps feel-

England promotion, perhaps feeling it makes too poignant a reminder of past naval greatness. On the other hand, pays to know your enemy and the Argentines do, from a safe distance, seem to be a rather loathsome lot. You will have read yesterday about the murderous Rivero, in whose homour Port

Rivero, in whose honour Port Stanley is now renamed. He is, I

know, not the Argentines' only folk hero with a distinctly

As a contribution to the national, but I hope temporary

was effort, PHS will continue to

welcome items of information

hartful to Argentina, and news of any ferocity laudable or laugh-able, here at home.

Mother paid a private and unannounced visit to the World of

lects his books in her library in

in case Her Majesty should

tremendous output.

on April 14 and 21.

A plum of P.G.

doubtful past.

an unfortunately named religion and politics are, of youth called Invisible Dick, course, out altogether." has disappeared. But the Well, more or less. Black style has changed little: Bob, the Dandy wonder dog, simple, identifiable charac, was recently kidnapped and ters tripping through banana taken to Argentina, adding There is never any real Authority has occasionally violence, only the cartoon objected to the rubber bricks

Jerry where the victim always undermining respect for the forces of law and order, when he was shown saluting a policeman with a mouse emerging from a trapdoor in Dentists can be sensitive top. Barnes said "We do not

deliberately show a dentist with a boot on a patient's chest. But I think it is legitimate to show a kid in some dread of going to the dentist. I think there is still room for fun. And of course it is good fun when you have

thrown at it in the pages of a teacher falling downstairs. The Dandy. The editor of a and losing half-his teeth, police magazine once probeing carted off to the tested that Korky the Cat was denist, and coming back dentist, and coming back with his head swathed in bandages. Of course in the next edition he has all his teeth again. It's better than recovery". The early Dandy was half

picture strips and half text. but it long ago abandoned the pages of words. "Television, and the consequent lack of a child's urge to read, were responsible for that," Barnes says with regret. Television, he believes, has been responsible for a major

THE TIMES DIARY



The British Standards Institution has set a new standard for British music

news is not intended to encourage the detractors of Peter Maxwell Davies and Harrison Birtwhistle, BS 4754 applies only to the way scores and parts are Scores to British standard will

henceforward be clear enough for double bass players to read without straining forward; printed on paper thick enough for the next page of nores not to show through; and in ink waterproof enough for: Handel's Water Music.

The standard gives guidance on how note spacing, sturs, ties and crescendos should be represented, and takes a particularly firm line, I hear, on silences.

Thomas Crapper, who did the drains at Sandringham and poss-

this year for inclusion in the

Chain of events

A complete glossary of health and bygiene - from Abatement notice to Zwitterion (an iron Through his unjust disgrace in the war and his long years in exile, P.G. Wodehouse had one carrying both positive and negative charges, present in some detergents) — proves a rich midden of scatological information. Prepared by Mr Colin Lucas and published by Rentokil loyal fan — the Queen of England Last night the Queen at £15, Hugiene in Buildings traces the history of the lavatory Wodehouse exhibition at the National Theatre, an attraction open freely to all who visit the from the Knossos latrines, built for King Minos 3,600 years ago.
Choice pickings include the The Queen Mother is an avid Human Lavatory — a medieval public servant who walked the reader of Wodehouse, and colstreets in an immense cape which he could use to cover his customers and the pail he was Scotland. She has almost all his carrying; and the dreadful fate of fancy a further treat, PHS recommends Words by Wode-house, for which David Ryall dons a hairless wig and does a Richard the Raker, a gongfermor employed to clean latrines and cesspits who in 1326 fell through the rotten planks in his own privy plum of an impersonation. It is the early evening platform per-formance in the Olivier Theatre and "drowned monstrously in his own excrement".

In a book full of villainous

brochure are Beef Nan Eilan — noisette of lamb and fillet of beef material, the few heroes include with contrasting cream and

Very wet, Wales, and Dafyahb Wigley, Plaid Cymru president and MP for Caernarion, may have discovered the reason. complains that while British water boards generally waste about a quarter of the water mostly through leaks, the Welsh Water Authority loses an average of a third, and in some places a

ibly gave the language a new word; Thomas Twyford, who developed the Unitas and the ornate Deluge; and Sir John Harington who required only thelife a sum of the control of

"halfe a tunne of water to keep all sweete and savourie" and who wrote the Metamorphosis of Ajax devoted to his invention, the WC. For the squeamish there is also a good gathering of euphemisms, such as dinkum dunnie, piccaninny kiaha, Les Vaters, cuzzes, cozzy, jakes and Jericho, all of which mean much the same in one part of the world or another. Haughtier cuisine Culinary quaintness and rumbledethumps are out in Scotland this year, according to Colonel Pat Paterson who runs Taste of Scotland. Two new dishes created

The Government yesterday and claimed all maps of the Fulkling from Edward Stanford, the mansallers in Long Acre, to help if handle the crisis. An official from the Directorate of Overseas Sur-weys called at the shop and

hurried away with about 80 maps.

pickled walnut sauces

Leaking boards

The memoir face

Joseph Gormley's autobiography. Joseph Gormley's autobiography. Buttered Charub, was appropriately written with the ingst modern aids to productivity. Like every good unionist Gormley had a mate on the job — ghost writted jeremy Hornsby, who previously worked with the disc jockey Peter Muttay to produce One Day 171 Forget My Trousers, a volume most memorable for the cover, photograph of its subject in photograph of its subject in underpants and suspenders.

Gormley, finding himself a rich vem put some half a milion words on 50 tage cassester. Hornsby sieved out the nutto slack over four years with a word

parsnip mousse with West Coase the computerized typesetting, prawns. A haughtier cuisine at making Gormley's one of the first any rate, than Cullen skink and books on the general lists to be

and processor, and his discs fuelled

Falling star

Residents of New Jersey take a dim view of the twilight of the stars. For its centenary the Actors Rund of America put on a television show and raised \$2m for the elderly residents of its retirement home, but now plans for a nursing home next to the residence have been squashed. Actors Fund said it could fill its 50 bed nursing home at a fee of about \$100 a day, only about a to pay locally at present if they fall sick.

The neighbours, who have been bappy to have stars of the past in their area, for the last 20 years, objected in a twinkle, Mayor. Sandra Greenberg said: "Mhen I first heard of their plan for residence I applauded it but elderly and sinkly stars from around the country would certainly impact adversely on this high-class neighbourhood."

Missing minutes

Four Oscars and lavish praise for Chariots of Fire have been insufficient to restore 40 missing minutes to the film. It was out should be told.

from a length of more than two hours for its cinema release at Is the insurance business development the ingistance of Ewentieth ing a conscience? A reader stand Century Fox, which shared the offshoot of an Egyptian shipping

The producer, David Puttuan.

having lost his battles with Fox's nervous attitude, was delighted to hear, when the BBC started negotiating the purchase of television rights, that it would be interested in an extended version, using discarded footige.

Despite Putman's whole-hearted support for the others, for abrumbly versed it, saying

hearted support for the others, Fox abrupally vetoed it, saying that it would establish an uswelcome precedent.

There is still cause to be grateful to Fox. The BBC was among those in Britain Puttnam approached in viin, in his search for backing for Chanots, and another American studio rejected the project as "a real deware with no viability at all in the American marketplace because of style and tone as well as subject style and tone as well as subject

The eatable? The Pet Food Manufacturers

Association amounces that it will oppose the staining of offst from slaughterhouses, which, it says, would "make finished per food products unacceptable to the pet owner". PHS would hope so too. but, horrors, the association goes on to say it has told the Government about "the important implications such stamper. would have on the human food chain." What is going on in sui-country? Are people eating the pet foods on the pets? I think we

ing a conscience? A reader send me a circular which says. These are the main features of Crusader's Revolutionary new Guile Edged Plan."

PHS

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WHEN THE SMOKE CLEARS

While British ships steam south through the Atlantic and the Argentines continue too far away and too unimtheir efforts to fortify the islands there will be a great deal of diplomatic activity. Among other things, Britain and Argentina will be trying to rally support for their been followed in recent years, case. But it will also be a by both Conservative and good time to consider not Labour governments. It led to only what should be done when the task force reaches islands were very much dethe Falklands but also what Britain hopes to achieve thereafter.

The immediate objective is quite clear. It is to reverse the fait accompli imposed on the islands last Friday, and in the process: to show General Galtieri that such naked acts of aggression are wholly unacceptable. That is of the greatest importance. There are small countries and territories in many parts of the world, not least in Latin America itself which would be at risk if it was felt that the generals in Buenos Aires had got away with this invasion. They chose to send troops against a small and defenceless people, the citizens of a country with which they had apparently friendly relations and with which they were holding negotiations for a peaceful settlement.

But once an Argentine withdrawal has been achieved. either through diplomacy or by force, that still leaves the

cost? Or do we take the view that in the long run they are portant, and that they should therefore be eased into some sort of congenial relationship with Argentina? The second course is the one which has pendent on the good will of Argentina, even before last Friday's attack. Apart from a ship which sailed from Til-bury four times a year, the only regular communications with the outside world were the weekly flights to and from Comodoro Rivadavia provided

by the Argentine Air Force, That was not a bad policy in itself. Admittedly it had the disadvantage of giving General Galtieri and his colleagues the impression that the British government was an-xious to be rid of the Falklands, which may have encouraged them to miscalculate. But the miscalculation was not an inevitable result of the policy. If the British government had shown at an earlier stage that it was determined to defend the islands there could still have been progress

Much will now depend on the circumstances in which, if all goes well, the Argentines question of the future of the are induced to depart. If they Falklands. Do we want to have been humiliated they maintain them indefinitely as will remain uncooperative for a British possession, compar-able to an Isle of Man 8,000 have to maintain an active miles away, regardless of the defence of the islands against

a possible new attempt at invasion, and also replace the services which were provided by Argentina before the invasion. It can be done, It would have to be done. But it would be an expensive commitment to maintain over a long period. At some point, therefore, it

will be necessary to try to restore links between the islands and Argentina. This will not be easy, especially if there has been fighting. Obviously diplomatic relations would have to be restored first. But it would not be the first time in history that a showdown, whether diplo-matic or military, had clari-fied a relationship and in the period of reconstruction pro-vided a more realistic basis for negotiation. At all times, however, we would have to face up to the possibility that such attempts would be unsuccessful. Our future policy for the Falklands can never again be allowed to depend on an Argentine veto.

It is not too early to look ahead in this way, even though the immediate future is murky. Britain did not seek or provoke a conflict with Argentina and has no wish for a long period of hostility. It must assert its rights and the principles of international law without compromise but at the same time it should make clear its desire to return as soon as possible to normal relations with Argentina. This can be achieved only if the Argentines have the same aim. The burden of proof now

modest in its scope and its

WHO'S AFRAID OF A BIG BAD BALLOT?

Of all the days of the year to, advocated by a number of select to beat the drum for a national campaign which has been slow to catch fire, Monday must have been among the most unlucky. With the fleet sailing off to glory and ministers tumbling, the country had little attention to spare for the metaphorical militancy on display calculations and actions at the TUC's special conferwhether they like it or not, ence on the Employment Bill. and even if employers prove "There will be risks, there may be casualties, we may get to go to court on the strength knocks, but we will give as of its provisions. good as we get", declared Mr. The prevailing atmosphere Murray, with native caution made Mr Murray sound palsetting his sights before battle. lid and the voices which rather lower than Mrs That-

cher was doing elsewhere. The programme of action against the Bill, agreed with acclaim by all but a few of the unions represented, is also anything but bloodthirsty. The TUC General Council drafted it with concern not to encourage the movement's aircraft carriers to steer outside the territorial waters of legality. This showed good sense, but can have done little to persuade ordinary trade unionists with more surgent anxieties about the security of their jobs that the proposed reforms seriously amount to 'a manifesto for a union-free society", as Mr Murray put it. He rejected a policy of using industrial action to bring a government down undemocratically. Other speakers, like Mr Arthur Scargill and Mr Joe Wade disregarded his lead and spoke uninhibitedly about the possibility of breaking the law in the struggle against the Bill. Major campaigns of industrial action against it, as

Postal watchdog

From the Chairman of the Post Office Users' National Council

Sir, In his observations on the

Government's consultative document on consumers' interest and the nationalised industries (article,

March 15), Mr Alex Henney, Chairman of the London Elec-tricity Consultative Council,

bemoans the absence of any proposals to give arbitration powers on the nationalised indus-

try consumer councils.
It is arguable whether the duty

of arbitration is one which is proper to a consumer council, I think it is not. The council acts

principally as an advocate of the customer's case. It could not

easily act as arbiter as well.

Customers would be entitled to

question the extent of the

interests.

commitment to representing their

The issue does not however

arise for users of Post Office and

British Telecom services. Under

the Codes of Practice for Postal

and Telecommunications Services

published in 1979, customers may

pursue unresolved claims for

redress through a scheme of

arbitration operated indepen-dently by the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, Whilst the arbi-

trator's recommendations were

not legally binding, both indus-tries declared that they would normally be honour bound to

Under the British Telecommunications Act 1981, the Post Office's legal liability has been

extended to cover most things

extended to cover most things lost or damaged in the inland post. We have recently successfully concluded negotiations with the Post Office and the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators which provide for a scheme of legally binding arbitration to match the industry's new legal liabilities.

delegates, would be illegal within the terms of the Bill itself, even if not of the existing laws on political. strikes and secondary action. The Bill is defuly drafted to minimise the need for active union, co-operation: it will exist and influence their reluctant, as they often may,

lid and the voices which urged the dangers of a long and costly campaign embarked, on without strong rank and file support were few and faint. One of the most revealing phrases of the day came when Mr Murray described the Bill as an attempt to drive a wedge between unions and their members. Some of its provisions, in particular those designed to encourage unions to test by ballot whether existing closed shops still command support among members, can indeed claim to be so. But a rift has to extra before a wedge can be driven into it, and the un-popularity of the closed shop, as well as of other equally rough and ready means of imposing union discipline is widespread inside the movement as well as out. It is a standing reproach to the trade unions that the abandonment of such practices should need to wait for a nudge from legislation.

The truth is that the Bill is

Yours faithfully,

Ecosystems

admirable clarity.

JOHN MORGAN, Chairman,

Post Office Users' National

From Professor C. D. Pigott

Sir, Your correspondent Dr A. S. Thomas (March 17) in his

strongly worded criticism of the

term ecosystem shows that he does not understand its meaning.

Perhaps he has forgotten, or

perhaps never read, the article

written by Sir Arthur Tansley in

1935 in which the word was introduced and defined with

admirable clarity.

Tansley proposed the word to describe a particular level of organization of natural systems

in which vegetation, animals and

the physical environment are linked together by the transfer of

energy and materials. Tansley recognized the difficulty of

defining the boundaries of eco-

systems for, in a sense, the world

is an ecosystem, but he proposed

that the term was more usefully applied to those much smaller systems in which not transfer of

material across the boundaries in

Council, Waterloo Bridge House, Waterloo Road, SE1-

likely effects. While this hampers, the campaign to present it as a threat to trade unionism as such, it also means that many reforms which would still further improve accountability have been omitted. Only last week, Mr Norman Tebbit said that his mind was not fully closed to the possibility of adding a clause to encourage the use of strike ballots in place of of its provisions.

The prevailing atmosphere Balloting for union elections a reform whose effects might be even more profound. Even where it does occur, balloting today is too often inadequately supervised. In the short term, legislating on these matters might tend to add them to the category of things that trade unionists refuse to see any good in because Mr Tebbit favours them. It might also increase the scope for calculated defiance and the creation of martyrs; but nothing would do more to make the movement more truly representative. The longer term, advantages would thus be manifest. If the trade union leadership wants to claim that it truly represents its members, it would be more convincing if it did not object to measures which would provide evidence for that claim. Of course they fear the evidence would undermine their claim, and thus their leadership. Let us have the evidence by introducing much more provision for balloting, both about strikes, and about leadership.

For example, in an unexploited woodland the amount of carbon dioxide fixed by green plants may over a period of a year, be balanced by the amount released by respiration of all the organisms in the woodland, so that net transfer in and out would then be zero but, in fact, diffusive mixing of this gas in the atmosphere theans that most ecosystems share a common reservoir. This offers customers seeking This offers customers seeking redress a cheap and simple way of resolving disputes avoiding the need to make a personal appearance at a court. We are about to start discussions with British Telecom aimed at similar arrangements in respect of their legal liabilities under the BT Act.

We consider these arbitration We consider these arbitration facilities are an important feature of the machinery for dealing with customers' complaints and are pleased to have had some part in establishing them.

Uptake of phosphate by the plants of the woodland may be plants of the woodland may be almost entirely from the supply provided by decay, so that in this case the system may be virtually self-contained. Animals may indeed move in and out of the woodland yet their population averaged over a number of years may remain more or less content. Econocitant stant. Ecosystems are not entirely self-contained, or "closed", and never could be because all depend on an input of solar energy and the eventual dissipation of this energy as hear.

By repeatedly using the word "may" I am, in fact, drawing attention to the value of recognizing ecosystems. By analysis of their structure and by measure-ment of the amounts of substances in their parts and of the rates of transfer the extent to which the system is in balance can be discovered. This provides essen-tial information for the sensible exploitation of ecosystems, allowing their structure to be stabilized and their productivity maintained or even increased. An ecosystem is still an ecosystem even when it is not equilibrium.

yours faithfully. DONALD PIGOTT. Department of Biological The University,

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Government failings in Falklands crisis

Glue-sniffing and solvent abuse

From Mr N. C. MacDonald

Sir, Mr Allan Roberts, MP (report, April 1) is following a path trodden by well meaning politicians, in this country and overseas, in believing that the use of aversive additives in solvent-based products will eliminate or control solvent abuse.

To be acceptable any additive must meet three criteria. It should not enhance in any way the health risk of the preparation to which it is added. It should not interfere with the acceptability of a preparation by those who will use the preparation for its use the preparation for its intended purpose. Finally, any additive should not detract from service performance of the preparation, and in this case we mean the adhesive strength.

My company has investigated the possible use of aversive additives, and volatile organic chemicals with characteristic nauseating odours are most commonly thought of in this connection; allyl isothiocyanate, which occurs naturally as a component of oil of mustard, has been used in adhesives in certain parts of the United States.

All evidence indicates that substances of this type are either ineffective at safe levels of use or ineffective at safe levels of use or have only a transient aversive effect at higher or more dangerous concentrations, as well as interfering with the normal use and performance of the adhesive to which they are added. In West Germany another type of so-called aversive agent was added to a solvent-based product as a panic reaction to an outbreak of solvent abuse in West Berlin. The solvent abuse in West Berlin. The result was an increase in the incidence of toxicity amongst sniffers.

smitters.

To suggest, as Mr Roberts does, that there is a paucity of information on the subject is to misrepresent the facts. My company's research has revealed around 300 references from many authoritation.

around 300 references from many authoritative sources in this country and others.

At the same time we in the industry shall continue our search to develop alternative systems which are intrinsically safer from abuse and I would stress that this positive approach to the problem has been receiving attention in my company for attention in my company for several years. I should be gravely disturbed were we to tackle the symptoms of the malaise in a less than rational way, whilst ignor-ing the disease itself.

Yours sincerely, N. C. MACDONALD, Director (Technical), Evode Limited, Common Road. April 2.

m Mr Jacob Eccle

Freedom of the media

Sir, You will, I hope, allow me to reply to the letter (April 3) from Mr Farmer, General Secretary of the Institute of Journalists, concerning my refusal to admit

your correspondent to cover our recent annual conference.

As a matter of policy my union asks other trade unions to admit only NUJ members to cover their only NUJ members to cover their meetings. We do so because the NUJ is a trade union in all senses of the word; the IOJ is not affiliated to either the TUC or the International Pederation of Journalists and can make no such claim. It would, therefore, be absurdly inconsistent if we were to admit a member of the IOJ to retent on our annual delegate report on our annual delegate

For Mr Farmer to assert that the leadership of the NUJ would use the closed shop in journalism "to silence opposition in the media to views endorsed by the media to views endorsed by the union" is ludicrous. As he knows union" is ludicrous. As he knows perfectly well, my union's own journal is so independent of the NUJ leadership that it frequently makes life uncomfortable and embarrassing for us by exercising the freedom that such independence guarantees — an independence that recent events have shown is not enjoyed by many editors in Fleet Street.

That is only our domestic

That is only our domestic situation. The NUJ operates many closed shops already, including several in national newspapers, and in none of them could Mr Parmer find evidence to substantiate his all egations.

Yours, etc., JACOB ECCLESTONE, Deputy General Secretary, National Union of Journalists, Acorn House, 314-320 Gray's Inn Road, WC1. April 5.

One nation

From Dr C. Goodson-Wickes Sir, What better way is there to forge the One Nation that you seek (leading article, March 30), than to reintroduce a form of national service?

Cooperation between white and

national service?

Cooperation between white and black citizens in such a framework would surely go far to promote new and healthier attitudes at an impressionable age. Yours faithfully, C. GOODSON-WICKES,

95A Jermyn Street, St James's, SW1.

Ulster assembly plan

From Mr Tom Arnold, MP for Hazel Grove (Conservative) Sir, The Prime Minister has made it clear on a number of occasions that Northern Ireland will remain a part of the United Kingdom for as long as that is the wish of the majority of the people of North-ern Ireland. The guarantee is firm and should not be in doubt.

The fact is that Northern

In sum, geography and history make Northern Ireland very different from any other part of the United Kingdom, with its own There is no immediate contradistinct political needs and two diction, therefore, between the Union and the preferred wish of communities with different aspirthe main Northern Ireland political parties to move in direction of devolution.

ations and perceptions of national identity. Indeed, integration would offend one section of the local April 1.

moment and, indeed, it has

From General Sir Robert Ford (retd) available to ministers at the right Sir, Looked at from the outside. seemed to me that the very status of the Chiefs of Staff has been but with some knowledge and experience of the workings of the steadily and deliberately reduced. machinery of government over a long period, it is difficult to come This was sometimes, I fear, for to any other conclusion than that political and economic reasons and one also received the im-pression that certain senior civil the present tragedy in the Falkland Islands is largely the result of gross crisis mismanage-

servants and Foreign Office officials wished this to be so. A few months ago, when I questioned a senior civil servant on this matter, he defended the changes which had taken place on the grounds that capabilities and commitments were almost entirely devoted to Nato and since our colonial commitments and others had virtually disappeared there was no requirement now for the Prime Minister and senior ministers of the DOPC to have regular personal advice from the Chiefs of Staff.

I have a high regard for my late senior Civil Service colleaate senior Civil Service collea-gues, but they are not qualified to proffer military advice. Nor is any Secretary of State for Defence qualified to put forward military judgment to the Cabinet subcommittee without the attendance of the professional heads of the Armed Services. Of course, civil servants can prop-As a staff officer in the Military Operations Branch of the then War Office who was seconded to the Cabinet Secretariat for the Suez operation I heads of the Armed Services. Of course, civil servants can properly inform ministers of the financial and budgetary implications and options but the machinery of government should always allow for the Chiefs of Staff considered views to be available to this vital committee on a regular basis. on a regular basis.

I sincerely hope that a lesson has been learnt and that in future our foreign and defence policy will be regularly discussed in the proper forum, with each member having an opportunity to make his input before decisions are made. Yours faithfully,

adhered to.

Since that day I have served four Chiefs of Defence Staff over a number of years and before my retirement was a member of the Army Board. Throughout this period the DOPC system has been steadily eroded by successive Prime Ministers and governments, with some exceptions. The result has been that the fully considered professional advice of the Chiefs of Staff, in the knowledge of the latest intelligence assessments, has not been ROBERT FORD,

Labour and deterrence

The well-tried and established Defence and Overseas Policy

Committee has been modified by

successive Administrations since the war to meet changing conditions. Chaired by the Prime

Minister and comprising the Foreign Secretary, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, the Secretary of State for Defence.

the Home Secretary, and with all the Chiefs of Staff in attendance, this committee used to meet

under most governments on a monthly basis with prepared papers, receiving the world intelligence picture as seen by

the Joint Intelligence Committee

and with ministers together having the opportunity to listen

to the professional assessments and advice of the Chiefs of Staff

before they made their political

saw at first hand the disasters which followed when this element of the machinery of government was not strictly

decisions.

adhered to.

From Mr J. R. V. Coutts Sir, Michael Foot stated quite clearly that we are right to defend the Falkland Island citizens against the aggression of the Argentinians. Yet the whole thrust of the Government's argument for the deployment of the Trident missile system is that we should be in a position to deter a would-be aggressor.

It does not require much imagination to visualise a situation in which England, deprived of any form of nuclear deterrent, could be blackmailed and occupied by a foreign Power. This situation could only be hastened if Michael Foot's "unilateral disarmament" policles were carried out.

It would seem to be the height of hypocrisy for him and other members of the Labour Party to attack this Government's lack of readiness in terms of dealing with the Falkland Island situation, and yet propagate policies which would virtually mean 50 million British people would be left in a defenceless situation. Yours faithfully,

J. R. V. COUTTS, foatfield House, Vicarage Lane, Waresley, Sandy, Redfordshire. April 5.

from Mr P. J. Freeman Sir, The situation erising from the occupation by Argentinian forces of the Falkland Islands is forces of the Falkland Islands is rich in irony from the naval standpoint. In the first place, both HM ships Endurance and Invincible, which are playing central, if very different, roles in the dispute, are on the disposal list. Secondly, Argentina, of all countries, was hoping to purchase HMS intrepid, one of the amphibious assault ships understood to be involved, until a recent last minute decision by the Secretary of State for Defence to retain her in service. Finally, of the major units of the Argentinian navy, its aircraft carrier is the former HMS Venerable and its two newest and largest destroyers are sister ships of the

its two newest and largest destroyers are sister ships of the type 42 vessels in service with the Royal Navy.

Irony notwithstanding, there is a very serious lesson to be learnt for British naval policy from this hitherto unhappy episode. This is that while the Royal Navy may still retain the capability to dispatch substantial forces to the Falkland Islands, and to maintain them at sea, this is only because the Secretary of State's cuts in the Royal Navy have not yet taken full effect.

The capability, under present

The capability, under present plans, will be substantially eroded over the coming years. The Secretary of State's statement in the historic debate in the House of Commons on April 3, that we will continue to maintain a "substantial out-of-area capability" rings very hollow when it is recalled that this capability even now involves the use of our only two active aircraft carriers and the detachment from Nato commitments of a very large proportion of the fleet. Surely this assault by Argen-

tina is the clearest possible warning to the Government that

Ireland had its own devolved

parliament for fifty years and all the main local parties wish to see

devolved government restored, albeit for different reasons and

despite their disagreement about

the form it should take. There

are well established administrat-

ive structures to support it.

Cavalry and Guards Club, 127 Piccadilly, W1.

its current naval policy is fraught with danger. If Mr Nott fails to heed this warning then he should be replaced by a minister who will appreciate the maritime tradition and capabilities of this country and who will reverse the lamentable run-down of the Royal Navy. Yours faithfully,

P. J. FREEMAN, 12 Tenison Avenue, April 4.

From Mr Giles Chichester Sir, Fifteen years ago my late father sailed around Cape Rorn safe in the knowledge that the Falkland Islands would be a British haven should the need

arise. We must not feil our people of the Falklands now their peaceful land has been rudely invaded. No effort should be spared diplomati-cally, economically or militarily

As a nation we cannot afford to duck this challenge, for who knows who next will regard us as a soft touch if we do? Yours faithfully, GILES CHICHESTER.

Francis Chichester Ltd. 9 St James's Place, SW1. April 5. From Mrs Laura Laucock

Sir, "Somehow, some time, the Argentine forces must be induced or forced to leave the Falklands. We have the full authority of a Security Council resolution to support that proposition" (The

Times, April 5).
For Argentine, read Turkish; for the Falklands, read Cyprus.
What price diplomacy, what price guarantees, and what price the resolve of the international community, eight years after? Yours faithfully,

L. LAYCOCK, 13A Richmond Mansions, 250 Old Brompton Road, SW5.

From Mrs Rosemary Goring Sir, Now that the Falkland islanders are, for the time being at least, under Argentine rule they will presumably have to start learning the Argentine national anthem. This is a stirring composition, with a revolutionary flavour not unlike that of the Marseillaise, and the first four lines run more or less as follows:
O mortals, hear the sacred cry,

Liberty, liberty! liberty! Hear the sound of breaking chains, And see, enthroned, Equality.
One imagines that the islanders
will render these lines with more than ordinary fervour.

Yours. ROSEMARY GORING. Little Iwood, Rushlake Green, Heathfield, Sussex. April 3.

From Sir Maxwell Joseph Sir, The Government has succeeded in turning a Gilbert and Sullivan operetta into Wagnerian tragedy. Yours faithfully, MAX JOSEPH,

1 York Gate, Regents Park, NW1.

would not reassure the majority

safeguard for their own particu-

lar lifestyle and culture; and it would set back constructive relationships with the Republic of Ireland and important sections

of United States opinion.

House of Commons.

Yours faithfully,

TOM ARNOLD,

A goodly usage

Sir, Mrs Tullo (April 3) complains of the newsprint coming off on her hands. For many years I used old copies of The Times for population without fully satisfying the other; it would for that pressing my trousers (no dampreason be more likely to inflame ing was required). However, I the security situation rather than to diminish tension. Integration had to stop this habit of a lifetime when my wife showed that the ink was transferring from paper population since most unionists to iron and then on to my white see devolution as the best shirts.

Perhaps one has to use prop-

erly matured copies for this purpose. Any evidence on the proper length of maturity would be welcome. Yours faithfully, BERNARD COX, 89 Kingsfield Avenue, North Harrow, Middlesex.

April 3.

Plans for church unity move

From Lord Fletcher Sir, My friend the Bishop of Norwich (April 3) does less than justice to the final report of the Anglican-Roman Catholic Commission. His purported quotation from page 84 of the report is misleading as it stands. The words in brackets do not appear in the report. The Bishop informs in the report. The Bishop informs me that they were intended to be printed as an interpolation of hi

It would be unfortunate if progress towards reunion were felt to depend on the precise significance to be given in a united Christendom to the pri-macy of the Bishop of Rome. Any form of organic unity may be a distant project, but the report registers the impressive progress made on a wide range of issues hitherto considered controversial. It emphasizes, on page 5. the bonds that unite our two

churches:
We confess the same faith in the one true God; we have received the same spirit; we have been baptized with the same baptism; and we preach the same Christ.

Experience testifies to the Experience testifies to the

increasing tolerance and underincreasing tolerance and under-standing among the laity in both churches, coupled with a real desire for reconciliation. In recent years an increasing num-ber of Anglicans visiting the Continent attend a Catholic Mass as communicants and are not discouraged from doing so. Even in England Anglicans are wel-comed as communicants at a comed as communicants at a nuprial Mass or a requiem Mass. Conversely, though less fre-quently, Catholics from Europe attend Anglican cathedrals and

churches as communicants. The decision for any individual is a matter of conscience. This practice develops a recognition of how much our two churches have

in common.

One hopes that, with the forthcoming papal visit, the momentum already established will not be lost. An initiative for a tangible step forward might well be a study of the case for a mutual reconciliation of minis-Yours faithfully,

FLETCHER, House of Lords. April 5.

Channel link

From the Director General, General Council of British Shipping Sir, If the Government stick to their announced policy and insist that the UK half of any Channel tunnel or bridge is financed by private enterprise the shipping industry can have no possible objection. We do not fear commercial competition. What we do fear is a tunnel or bridge started on a "private enterprise" basis; then when the project gets scale escalate, as by all precedent they will, the Government of the day, whatever that may be, feeling impelled to subsidise the project or support a British Rail guerantee of throughput (which comes to the same thing as subsidy), particularly if the French are determined to press

When the ferries and hover-craft can carry all increases in traffic, passengers and freight foreseeable up to 1990 and, with comparatively modest injections of capital (as compared with the vast sums even now envisaged for a fixed link) up to 2010, it seems madness to contemplate shelling out on an unnecessary and

chancy venture when this country needs so many oher things.

The ferries have never been completely stopped on any day since World War II, whereas a tunnel or a bridge could be blocked by weather or engineering mishap or industrial action or sabotage. Better not start. Re-member Concorde.

PATRICK SHOVELTON. General Council of British Shipping, 30-32 St Mary Axe, EC3. April 2.

Earlier bird

From the Reverend Canon E. F. Hudson

Sir, Reviewing Steven Runci-man's Sicilian Vespers in today's Times (April 1) Philip Howard writes: "Cambridge today publish writes: "Cambridge today publish
the first paperback edition of
Steven Runciman's famous
book". But a paperback copy has
been in my study for more than
20 years. Published as a Pelican
by Penguin Books in 1960, it then
cost 6sl It is worth its present price, £8.95. I can't think that Mr Howard, of all people, has been influenced by today's date, I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

E. F. HUDSON, The Rectory.

April 1.

From Mr Bernard Cox



COURT AND SOCIAL

Flight.
The Hon Mrs Mears was i

The Duke of Kent, as Colonel-in-Chief, will present new colours to the 1st Battalion The Devonshire and Dorset Regiment at Roman Barracks, Colchester, on May 22.

Under-Secretary of State, Foreign and Commonwealth Office, represented HM Diplomatic Service at the memorial service held for Lord Butler of Saffron Walden; CH, on Monday.

Youth Hostels

(England and Wales)

Royal Caledonian

Tory Reform Group

The following have been elected afficers of the Tory Reform

Chairman: Mr Stephen Moon:

vice-chairmen: Mr Roger Martin and Ms Ian Picton; treasurer. Mr John Archard Jones; national secretary: Miss Annabel Linney.

Sir Peter Moon to be British High Commissioner to Singapore in succession to Mr. J. D. Hemmes, who will be retning from the Diplomatic Service.

Mr George Stansfield to be British High Commissioner to Solimana Islands in succession to Mr G J A Slater, who will be retiring from the Diplomatic Service.

Mr Geoffrey Sealey to be director of motorway service areas and restaurants for Rank Leisure, a division of The Rank Organiza-

Mr Des Thompson of Belfast

Hostels Association (England and

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Association

Vice-presidents:

Roger Davenport.

Ball

attendance.

COURT
CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
Agril 6: The Prince of Wales this morning visited the Royal Mint at
Liantrisant, Mid-Glamorgan
This athermoon His Royal
Highness opened the Glamorgan
Nature Centre at Tomin.
The Fince of Wales, attended by the Hon Edward Adente, travelled in an aircraft of The Gueen's Flight.

CLARENGE HOUSE
April 6: Mrs. Particle Commandant of the Regiment.

Dixon upon his appointment Representative Colonel Commandant of the Regiment.

The Lord Carrington (Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) and the Right Hon Humphrey Atkins, MP (Lord Privy Seal) had audiences of The Queen this afternoon and took leave upon delivering up their respective Seals of Office and relimquishing their appointments.

His Excellency the Czechosio Schopen Countess of Snowdon this afternoon launched the Worldwise Excellency the Czechosio Schopen Countess of Snowdon this Excellency the Czechosio Stripping Group's bulk carrier United Drive at the Yard of Australia Her Royal Highness, who wavelled in an aircraft of The Flight, was attended the Whitehead in Stripping Counters of The Stripping Carrier United Drive at the Yard of Australia Sunderland.

His Excellency the Czechosłovakian Ambassador and Madame
Cernikova, His Excellency the
High Commissioner for Australia
and Lady Burton, Sir George
and Lady Burton, Sir Kermeth
and Lady Corfield, Mr Alex
Gordon, Mr and Mrs Yehudi
Menuhin and the Reverend Dr
John and Mrs Newton have
arrived at Windsor Castle.

The Duke of Edinburgh, Colonel-in-Chief of The Queen's Own Highlauders, this manning at Windsor Castle received Lieutenant-Colonel J. J. G. Mackenzie upon his relinquishing command of the 1st Bartalion and Lieutenant-Colonel N. J. Ridley upon his assuming command.

Fallowfield.
Lieutenant-Colonel Simon A memorial service for Sir Bland was in attendance.
The Duchess of Glouceser was present this evening at a Gala Cambridge, at 2 pm on April 24. mand.
The Hon Mary Morrison has succeeded Lady Abel Smith as Lady in Waiting to The Queen.

Captain P. A. Simpson, RAOC, and Miss C. M. P. M. Vaughan The engagement is amnounce between Paul, younger son, of h

Mr M. J. Strickland and Miss S. A. Chapt

Church news

Appointments.

Forthcoming

marriages

Sunderland:
Her Royal Highness, who
travelled in an aircraft of The
Queen's Flight, was attended by
The Horr Mrs Whitehead and
Major The Lord Napier and
Ettrick.

April & The Duke of Gloucester,

April & The Duke of Glancester, President, The National Association of Boys' Clubs, visited Clubs in Tameside, Manchester this morning: In the afternoon His Royal Highness as Grand Prior, opened the new headquarters of The Order of St John for the County of Greater Manchester, in Fallowfield.

Lieutegamt-Colonel Simon.

KENSINGTON PALACE

BUCKINGHAM PALACE

The engagement is announced between lain, son of Mr. R. F. Turner, of The Pightles, Edgefield, Melton Constable, Norfolk, and of the late Mrs Corrie Turner, and Caroline, eider daughter of Mr and Mrs John Salter, of North Sutton House, Stanton Lecy, Ludion. Dr M. J. Bradford and Miss H. E. Collins The engagement is announced between Michael, elder son of Mr and Mrs J. A. Bradford, of Crosby, Merseyside; and Heather, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. P. Collins, of Beelingstoke, Hampahire.

Marriages

Mr. M. R. Carr and Miss S. N. Hazell The engagement is announced between Martyn, son of Mr and Mrs. D. R. Carr, of Fakenbarn, Norfolk, and Sharon, daughter of Mrs J. M. Hazell, of Bedford.

The marriage took place on Saturday, April 3, in Monrovia, Liberia, between Mr Roderick Harris Macrae and Mise Harrist The engagement is announced between Timothy Simon Maples, younger son of the Rev John and Mrs Matthews, of The Vicarage, Great Dunmow, Essex, and Cathryn Leveday, daughter of Mr and Mrs Philip Budson, of Dolphins, Kingston Gorse, Sussex.

The marriage took place on April 3 at Holy Trinky Church, Chelses, between Mr John Nicholas Miller, elder son of between Paul, younger son of Mr Major and Mrs P. N. Miller, of Eastfield Contage, Westbury-on-drughter of Mr and Mrs A. D. Vaughan, of Northcote Farm, Shamley Green, Surrey.

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Mc P. J. Tellweight and Miss C. L. Turner

The engagement is announced between John, son of Mr George Strickland, of Epsom Downs, and Mrs Brenda Burfield; of Stratford-on-Aven, and Stephanie. The marriage took place on April.

younger daughter of Mr and Mrs. 3 in the chapel of Queen's.

Ernest Chapt of Walton-on. College, Oxford, between Mr younger daughter of Mr and Mrs.

Ernest Chapt, of Wakon-onThamas.

Mr T. J. Turnbull and Mrs. E. C. Flint.

The engagement is announced between Timothy John, only son of Mr and Mrs J. E. Turnbull, of Woodford Green, Essex, and Elizabeth Clare, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs J. E. Turnbull, of Son Was best man.

A reception was held at the Bear Hotel, Woodstock, OxfordWarelman, Dorset.

Sin the Chapel of Queen's Callege, Oxford, between Mr Chapter Mr C. S. Themport and Mrs K. D. Tellwright, son of Mr and Mrs K. D. Tellwright, and

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he president of the British Sma Animal Veterinary Association Mr Charles Vance to be chairma of the Standing Advisory Com-mittee on Local Authority and the Theatre. Professor Iso McColl, profes

of surgery at Guy's Hospital Medical School, to be honorary consultant in surgery to the

Moreover . . . Miles Kington

"Delighted, old boy".

The trouble with the radio is that ever since we left is the afternoon." I said.

"Evoe" Knox-Johnston, were taken aback when a huge sub emerged in front of us this morning. We knew it was British because of the Union Jack painted one the comming tower and "Come On You Spurs!" scrawled on the side.

"I wonder if you could tell us the way to the Falkland Isles?" said the very palite officer who eventually appeared.

"Straight on," I said.

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"Hasta la vista", I said.

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"Hasta la vista", I said.

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curiously at Evoe. I thought it would take too long to "What's your business in explain that he has been the Falklands?" I said, when hearning German from the the man had fixed the radio. BEC World Service, and insisted on speaking nothing else before lunch; anyway, there were more important matters.

"Do you think your could pop over and have a look at that find.

"My God, look at that!" he lands must be the most off the beaten track place possible for an undisturbed weekend. OK, amigo?" "Ausgezichnet", says leve.

"Ausgezichnet", says leve.

"Our next report will be from the sieepy Falklands, then Hasta lurgo, mis lecture and have a look at that!" he copyright Moseover Transatlantic Enterprises



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Dr Francis Iackson, organist and Master of the Music at York Minster since 1946, who will be retiring in October at the age of 65. His service to music at the Minster spans more than 50 years, having joined as a chorister in 1929.

Australia's day in the auction room

Australian book dealers have:

flooded into London for in herrer condition, but the other came which began yesterday. Fixes ran significantly beyond Sotheby's estimates as a result.

Early visitors' accounts of the Colony' and accounts of the Basis and to bring bask tentropy copies were among the main money-spinners. An Account of the Discoveries made in the South Pacific Ocean Previous to 1767 by one Alexander Dahyunje, printed in London in 1767, but is so few copies that it is now a rarity, sold for \$4.130 (estimate \$1.1500 to \$2.000) to \$1.500) for David.

Colling's An Account of the sale was cathered for the sale to \$1.500 for The following have been elected honorary officers of the Youth

Vice-pressones: Dr David Bellany and Mr. John Parfitt; mational chairman: Mr. Hedley Alcock; vice-chairman, Mr. Frank Martin; treasurer: Mr. John Patten; assistant treasurer: Mr.

The Royal Caledonian Ball will be held at Grossenor House. Park Lame: London, W1, on Monday, 26 April, Tickers, priced at £18.00 such (including light, refreshments served at midnight), are now on sale. Enquiries should be made to the bell secretary (Telephone No: 01-222, 2348. or 025-675543.

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Security Research

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pening of the BAS Edinburgh Exhibition by Vice Admiral Sir

Reception

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Sir William Harris was bost at a.
itracheon held yesterday by this
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Bachelor at the Carlton Club
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Anthony Lawis and Li. Col. A. Colin
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Security Research

The Emplish-Spalling Union Music Council give a reception at the Martini Terrach restorday, Mrs. Edward Borman-Borler, chairman of the viologic received. Security Research
Mr Andrew Bowden, MP, was
host at a luncheon gisen,
yesterday, at the House of
Commons by Security Research,
Those present included members
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Mr Boyd Powers, Last Beach on Mr Philip Reprint Mr Boyd Commanuer L. N. King, RAF, Head of:
Mr Boyd Powers, Last Beach included.
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Mindfe Riest Association
Mr Pever Rees, QC, Minister of State for Trade, was the unincipal guest at the annual lumcheon of the Middle East Association held yesterday at the Efiton house. Management

M. H. Ewbank, Chairman, and Management
Lord Denman, a vice-president, also spoke. These present included members of the Biglomanic Corps.

Law Society
The Lord Mayor, accompanied by The Lord Management held last ingle at the Management held last ingle at the Management of the Bruish Institute of Management held last ingle at the Management of the branch, president.

Law Society

The Lord Hayor, accompanied by
Sheriff Anthony Eskenzi, was
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at a luncheon held at GR Carey
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Bowns (secretary general).

Institute of Management near 1821

S B Guinn, Chairman of the
branch president.

A. R. Bank thingled
the directors of the
hand with the directors of the
bank and their ladies, were hosts
at the sixty second annual dinner
of the bank held at the Savoy
Rotel yesterday. The guests

Imperial War Museum

The chairman of the trustees of said and take Barran, Mr and Mrs. the Imperial War Museum, 6 Blands and Lade Barran, Mr and Mrs. Marshat of the Royal Air Force.

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Mr and Mrs. E Taynbee No. 5 A. Mallor and Mrs. E Taynbee.



Jan Leeming with her award yesterday ...

Repeat success for newscaster

Jam Leening yesterday were the dant broadcasting programme of Television and Radio Industries the year. Bridesitead Revisiond Chib award as newscastar of the BBC Television programme of the year for the second year in the year. Lots of the Summer succession.

Benny Hill was would the independent broadcasting the independent broadcasting the independent broadcasting the year and Romanic Barker the BBC Television personality of the year and Romanic Barker the BBC Television personality of the year and gramme. Melodies for Yea (David Broadcasting programme Bough.)

small offering of good swords!
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(estimate £3,000 to £4,500).

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Lord Ashburton, 84; Sir Bundell, 75; Sir Hundell, 75; Sir Hundell, 75; Sir Hundell, 75; Sir Frank Die Sir Harold Emmerson, Devid Frest, 43 Mr F. L. 62; Lord Glendron, 70; Admiral Sir Arthur Hed Mr. Justice Limitingow, Earl of Lytion, 82; Sir Mackaren, 34, Sir Ivo Ma Mr Ian Richardson, 48; Ross of Marnock, 71; Sir Wasses Ross of Marnock, 77: Sir Wilson, 72. Wilson, 72.

Struggle for chess lead at Hastings

From Harry Golem Chess Corresponde Mustings

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Queen Beatrix to visit Britain

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OBITUARY

MR MARIEN BATTERSBY

Painter designer and writer

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A polymath of the visual sance of interest in the arts, his intense sussoin of decerative arts of the late tyle in all its forms gave him directed and early twenter and intensity in ancient and next centuries. His books,

PROFESSOR NORMAN HAYCOCKS

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University news

The first award of the George Grote prize, in successful history, has been made to Mr.R. Ostorne, of Kings College, Cassinidad.

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9 Continued buying during the afternoon, which was generally beleived to be on buffer stock account, took standard grade tion up to £7,370 and £7,400 respectively. Dealers said the buying seemed to be mostly: promptest by the continued weakness of sterling against the

Shaw sugar futures closed slightly steadier, near the day's highs, between £0.75 and £0.5 per tonne above the previous

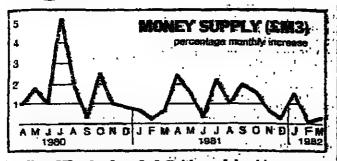
TODAY

Sheikh Ahmed Yamani, Saudi Arabia's oil minister, will be chief quest at the annual dinner of the Intitution of Mining and Metallurgy

in London tonight.

Board meetings Interims:
Photo-Me International, Scottish Cities investment Trust, Walker and Homes. Finals: A. C. Cars, Associated Book Publishers, Benford Concrete Machinery, Dorada, Expanded Metal, Fothergill and Harvey, Gill and Duffus, Humlleigh Group, Lead Industries, Lec Retrigeration, Albert Martin, Phoenix Assurance, Portals, Austin Read, Ruberoid, Stewart Wrightson, Sun Alliance and London Insurance, Triplevest, Ward White.

Slight rise in M3



Sterling M3, the broad definition of banking money sterling into, the broad definition or training money, rose by an estimated 0.25 per cent on the four weeks to March 17, according to the Bank of England. Narrow money, ML, fell by 0.75 per cent and private sector liquidity (PSL2) rose by 0.5 per cent. Sterling M3 has grown at annualized rate of 13% per cent since last February and 8% per cent over the latest six months. The public sector, helped by £1,000m of back tax, had a construction of the latest six months. contractionary effect on money last month, but bank lending to the private sector probably topped 22,000m. Business Editor, page 15

Europe gas reserve offer

The Netherlands' state-controlled gas company forcast yesterday that Western Europe would have to import nearly half its gas supplies by the year 2000 and offered its Groningen field as a reserve to give security of supply. Nederlandse Gasunie estimated that about 25 per cent of the supplies would come from the Soviet Union and that Botth Africa another 13 per cent. The company said the Groningen field could give Europe a safeguard against a cut-off in foreign gas. The United States is concerned over future reliance on Soviet gas. oncerned over future reliance on Soviet gas.

\$50m Zimbabwe aid deal

Zimbabwe and the 'United States are due to sign a \$50m (£28.5ta) aid agreement today which wiff enable the husiness sector in Zimbabwe to increase its imports from the United States. Diplomatic sources in Salisbury, said the bulk of the aid would go to the private sector on Zimbabwe ensuring higher import quotas after two successive substantial cutbecks in import allocations.

Sugar exporters **EEC** complaint

Despite being thwarted through the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade in their four-year challenge to the European Community's export rebate programme, the sugar exporting countries have realizated their confidence in the Gatt dispute serilement system by launch ing a fresh complaint against the Community's subsidy sys-tem. The objectors, including Argentina, Brazil and Australia, are complaining that the system is causing them finan-cial barm by depressing

 The Council for the Securities Industry, the City's ultimate watchdog, has decided to allow companies involved in agreed takeover bids to buy as many shares as they wish in the target firm, seven days after the hid is announced. In a contested takeover, the predator cannot own more than 30 per cent of a target company until the

Unclaimed fortune

1917 Anssian Revolution can claim 532,800 Australiani mining company shares weith about 5857,900.

The Brisbane-based Mini Holdings company has for more than 60 years sent off divisions cheques to four shareholders from a family called Zottof. But the cheques sent to their last listed addresses in Leningrad, come back marked on the course at back marked not known at this address and are paid to the Queenshard public trustee.

Labreke perchase Ladbroke's has acquired the Demay Lasure Group, which operates. 73 betting sheep, in the Mosth-West, for £4.05m.
Payment of part of the parchase price will be deterred. Freshold properties valued in excess of £500,000 are included in the price.

news helped Phisons put on 4p to 22p and SPCC harden 3p to 47p, but ahead of figures due today Aurora shed 2p to 14p and 658 & Define alone essed 2p to 137p. Rammerson's 570m oach call

depressed the property sector, with Hammerson 20p down at 585p — a two day fall of 55p, and leaders Land Securities 8p of at 282p and Great Portland.

6p esset at 174p.
Scottish Metropolitan Property shed 1p to 85p despite a 36 per cent half-time profits increase:

in oils Carless Capiel put on 5p

OTHER EXCHANGES

Tokyo: Nikkei Dow Jones

Horngkong: Hang Seng Index 1,200.12 up 3.85

LONDON CLOSE

\$1.7495 down 185 points.

Index.89.4 down 0.9

Index 116.3 up 0.1

\$349.50 up \$11.75

DM 2.4135 up 37 pts

Yen 434.00

DM 4.2250

DOLLAR

Fr. F 10,9800

Index 7,293.59 down 50.76

Gerettr David

Recovery after early panic

LONDON EXCHANGE

FT Index 553.0 down 6.9. FT Gifts 66.53 down 1.12. FT All share 315.98 down.

Bargains 29,258. Political uncertainty continued to cast its shadow over the stock, market where panic markdowns by pobers posted the FT Index down.

17.6 by mid-morning, but with-buyers returning to the market it was just 8.9 down at the close at

553.0. 553.0. A further wave of salling in the pilt market, though not as much as the previous day, saw long dates fall a net £2 after a rathr on encouraging money supply figures, with shorts showing losses of

once again it was companies with Argentinian connexions which were the heaviest casualties, with Unitever 18p off at 599p; and BAT. shedding 13p to 400p. But Lioyds. Bank ended the day unchanged at

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Bowater put on 1p to 239p
after the group's 25 pes cent
boost in pretax profits to £107m
exceeded most expectations.
Satisfaction with recent tracing

COMMODITIES

CURRENCIES. ● The pound suffered tertifier sharp talls against all leading currencies on worries about the Falklands crisis. The dialter was: generally stronger.

day's close in traded positions.

MONEY MARKETS Period: rates were markedly firmer as sterling continued to fall But condition at the short end remained comfortable. The Bank bought £67m. of bills on a forecast shortage of £50m. Domestic rates: Base rates 13%: 3 monthr interbank 141,8-1315,6 3 month dollar 15%-15% 3 month dollar 15%-15% 3 month DM 9%-9 3 month Fr F 23%-22%

Bank steps in to smooth pound's fall

The financial markets sufered another severe bout of nerves vesterday over the economic and political rami-fications of the Falklands

The pound dropped a further L85 cents to \$1.7495 in London, its lowest closing level since September 1977. Bank of England intervention to smooth its fall was noticeably heavier than usual and market estimates put it at around \$100m. The pound's weakness hit

money markets and rument stocks. Some period rates rose by about 1/2 per cent, while long-dated parts fell by a further £2. lasses of up to £2% on Monday. On the London stock

market, £2,100m was wiped ff the market value of tares and the FT index fell 6.9 to close at 553.9, making the fall over two days 18

Only gold looked more sheerful. The price rose \$11.75 yesterday to \$349.50, a jump of \$27.50 since last The pound was the centre

of attention on the world's foreign exchange markets. foreign exchange markets. Strong selling pressure was reported from all areas and all types of traders. Sterling dropped in fits and starts as dealers bid prices down, then awaited reaction. The Bank of England was thought to have intervened at several pionts during the day, chiefly in dollars.

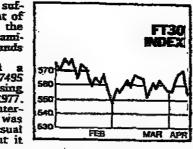
But the intervention, though substantial by recent standards; was well below terisis proportions.

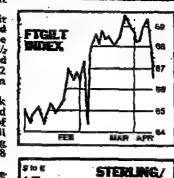
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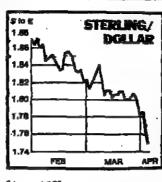
The period dropped sharply against other currencies as well as the dollar. It was

down 6 premies to DM 4,2250, while its trads-weig-heef index lost 0.9 to finish at 89.4, a drop of 1.6 since Friday and its lowest level since November. In the money markets, shortterm rates were a little

leaster, reffecting comfortable liquidity conditions. But period rates jumped by up to







from 13% per cent 60 Monday.

Nerves in the money mar-kets were mirrored in the gilts market, where sustained selling brought substantial falls, despite better than expected money supply fig-

The fact that indexed gilts also lost ground, however, suggests that the markets were more concerned about the political repercussions of On the stock market, an

early sharp fall of 17.6 was partly regamed. Much of the fall was the result of jobbers tire workforce, yesterday. The company will continue to narking down prices and relatively little business was % a point, with three-mouth done at these levels. By the materbank money, for in-end of the day, buyers were stance, rising to 14 per cen-beginning to emerge.

MARKET SUMMARY ACC chiefs 'had use of villa in Portugal

By Philip Robinson

Fresh allegations of the unfairly prejudicial to the benefits available to directors shareholders. benefits available to directors of Associated Communications Corporation to be lodged with the High Court is making a takeover bid for ACC, TVW Enterprises, head-

today will now include a villa in Portugal, owned by a Swiss subsidiary, with full-time maintain gardener.

The allegations form part of the amendments by the Post Officer pension fund to its petition which opposes the proposed: £560,000 golden handshake to Mr Jack Gill, the dismissed ACC managing

per cant half-time profits increases and increased dividend: Property, sales will play a part in Wholworth's read to recovery, according to Mr. Geoffrey Rodgers, chaitman, After a profits talt and cut in dividend; 26 stones are for sale, but only at a price well in excess of book-value. Mr Redges, says. Woolworth shares were 150 off at 46 Ke. the erdering of an eight-seater Cessna jet without board approval, fees paid to directsays. Woolworth stares were 1% p. off at 46 kg.
Disappointing figures. clipped bp from Christies International at 132p, white construction group figgs and fifth wear 9p eff-at 148p in the dull building sector, despite reporting a 7% per cent profits bross, net assets of 239p a stare, and increased dividend.
William Belful stoped 5p to ors via an American subsidiary, the procuring by Mr Jack Gill of benefits for fellow ACC director Mr Ellis Birk, and a luxury flat above ACC's West End head-quarters which was refur-bished by Mr Gill for his own

The Post Office pension

ed by Australian financier Mr Robert Holmes & Court, also chairman and chief executive of ACC.

The institutions have al-ready decided to accept Mr Holmes a Court's offer with

Six more drilling licences granted for rural England

some of the most picturesque parts of Dorset, Somerset and the Hampshire/Sussex

In a move likely to lead to more clashes with conserva-tionism. Mr Nigel Lawson, Secretary of State for En-

Mr Baldrige believes up to

hree big corporations could

Baldrige

Government has ergy, yesterday issued six opened the way for oilmen to new onshore oil production drill across a wide swathe of licences to a consortium of sombern England, including small British, American and Canadian companies, led by Carless Capel Leonard, of

> Four of the licences cover nearly 1,000 square kilo-metres of Wiltshire, Somerset and Dorset.

Imports freeze a body blow to British group's hopes

£165m Nigeria contract collapses

By Edward Townsend, Industrial Correspondent

the West African government last month.

The contract, for the building and equipping of a college of technology and an intintion of mining and metallurgy in the state of Kwara, was won recently in the face of strong European competition by Capital Plant International, a subsidiary of the Mitchell Cotts group.
London banker Morgan
Grenfell signed agreements
for the loan of £165m to the

covered by the Export. Credits Guarantee Depart-Since then, however, the Federal Ministry of Finance in Lagos has withdrawn its guarantee of the funding

Britain appears to have lost one of its largest Nigerian said, was seeking clarification of the contractual worth £165m — through the position of the contractual position on both technical and legal grounds."

Although Cotts, whose chairman is Mr Philip Dunk-ley, said that consultations with the Nigerian authorities were taking place, it seems that the British company has accepted that the project has despite reports from Lagos two weeks ago that the country's central bank's ban on the processing of appli-cations for foreign exchange expected to continue for only four weeks.

Kwara covernment in February, of which £95m was Existing approvals for foreign exchange and letters of credit were expected to be honoured.

CPI is believed to have spent about £250,000 over the m Lagos has withdrawn, its spent about he property of the funding last two years preparing its Educational Projects, which michell Cotts said yesterday: tender for the Nigerian was preparing to purchase contract, a major factor in will not proceed, certainly in helping to fight competition the new Nigerian colleges



Mr Dunkley: Still talking

initially from Dutch Czechoslovakian companies. Assistance was provided by another Mitchell Cotts subsidiary, Intercam Science and Educational Projects, which

from about 200 United Kingdom suppliers.

It was not clear yesterday whether Nigeria is proposing that the Kwara development he cancelled or postponed but, either way, there could be a damaging impact on future United Kingdom job

opportunities. Another major contract awarded by Nigeria in which there is significant British participation is £100m of work for the water corporation of Oyo State. Costain

International was awarded the larger share of the contract, worth £67m.

In addition, British engineering and construction companies are chasing more than £500m of Nigerian contracts covering hospitals, railways, power stations, housing, office and port

developments.

The result of the import moratorium, according to the Confederation of British Industry, is that up to £250m of business could be lost

Hebrides jobs threatened

By Jonathan Davis, Energy Correspondent

More than 400 workers at been secured within three as a result of the completion is Lewis Offshore Construction months, the yard will close, of BP's Magnus field platthe Lewis Offshore Construc-tion yard at Stornaway in the Outer Hebrides are likely to lose their jobs as a result of the sharp downturn in North Sea oil development activity.
The yard, which was opened on 1975, is the largest single employer on the Isle of

Lewis, and employs more than one in 20 of the Outer Hebrides' working popu-Its threatened closure is mother serious blow to employment prospects in Scotland, and comes at a time

lamed by the industry on high oil taxes and falling oil prices — is beginning to cause disquiet among government officials. Lewis Offshore, a subsidi-ary of the Norwegian Fred Olsen group, said that it was issuing statutory 90 day redundancy notices to 404 employees, virtually the en-

months, the yard will close. It will however be kept on "care and maintenance" ready to be reopened if fresh orders are obtained. The yard has been building

of gettine new orders in the present climate. Officials at the Department of Energy and the Offshore Supplies Office are believed ben the drying up of new to be becoming alarmed at the decline in offshore ordfield development orders - b-

> No new field development plans have been submitted to . the department for two years now, and while six new fields are still under development. the outlook for large new projects is poor. Highland Fabricators' yard at Nigg, Ross and Cromarty, is in the process of running down its 1,800 to 2,000 strong workforce by more than 300.

In another significant development, Phillips Pet-roleum has told contractors who put in bids for the wellhead modules and flare preliminary design work for

booms for Marathon Oil's the development of the so Brae field production platform, but the work is almost called "T Block" in the form, but the work is almost North Sea that the project complete and management at has been postponed. It says Lewis Offshore are not no contracts will now be optimistic about the prospect awarded for the time being of gettine new orders in the while the consortium studies cheaper ways of developing the field. ☐ Fisons

nounced yesterday that 120 jobs would go at its Cliff Quay granulation plant in Ipswich. Two days ago 80 redundancies were announced at the Stanford-le-Hope works in Essex, which is being closed. ☐ Nearly 300 jobs will be lost in London and the North

of England through a re-organization of the UBM Group's builders' merchants division. A smaller number of iobs will be created in

Centenary

ioy for

Bowater

year to December, 1981.

Most of the increase

SE inquiry over two members

By Philip Robinson

investigate alleged dealing irregularities and infringe ments of the rules by two of its members. At noon yester-day, the leading Government securities stockjobber Ak-royd and Smithers suspended gilt dealer Mr John A Thompson over dealing ir-regularities. Four hours later, stockbrokers Buckmaster and Moore said that in connexion with that suspension they had handed a report to the exchange relating to a former employee.
This will be the second exhange investigation into. the business conduct of its members in just over a year.
Last March, the exchange
started investigating former
stockbroker Halliday, Simpson. The firm was suspended last summer. But
both Akroyd and Buckmaster

made it clear thast the reports they have lodged are not connected with the Halliday investigation. Halliday investigation.
Akroyd said it had suffered a negligible loss over the irregularities. The usual value of most gilt bargains is £500,000 but values of between £2m and £3m are not

uncommon. Mr Thompson, an Bowater Corporation, the said: "I'm surprised I have been suspended. I can't tell you what the irregularities are. I would rather make no

> Mr Henry France, a senior partner, said the firm's former employee was involved with its fund manage-

Total group sales were slightly down on last year at £1,738m against £1,760. United Kingdom sales were up, however, from £572m to £651m, but United Kingdom profits fell to £19.3m from £24.8m. North American profits rose from £80.9m to £103.3m

with its sales, predominantly paper and pulp, moving to £452 from £326m. Lord Erroll, chairman, said improvements in profitability towards the end if the year by a number of group operations reflected two years of reorganization. The shares rose 1p against yester-

international paper group, marked its centenary yesterday by raising pretax profits from £85m to £106.7m for the comment." estimated at £20m at the trading level — came from exchange gains on trans-lation of results of the group's major pulp and paper interests in North America.

ment side and left of his own volation a few weeks ago. He added: "No client of Buckmaster was involved and no losses have been sustained by

BID STOPS FEDERATED PURCHASE

A meeting of Federated Land shareholders to approve the acquistion of Estates & General was adjourned after a £19m bid for Federated by the British Steel pension fund made last Friday.

The pension fund's 175p a

share cash offer superceded an earlier offer from construction and property group M P Kent valuing Federated at about £15m. A statement is shares rose 1p against yester-day's market trend to close at 239p.Business Editor, page 15 bid from the fund.



COMPAGNIE BANCAIRE

Regd. Office: 5 avenue Klèber, Paris 16 ème.

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The shareholders of Compagnie Bancaire are invited to attend the Annual General Meeting to be held on Wednesday 28th April, 1982 at 3.0 p.m. at the Head Office, 5 avenue Kléber, Pans 16 ème, to consider the following Agenda:

- The Report of the Board of Management.

- The Report of the Supervisory Board. - The general report of the Auditors.

Article 143 of the Law of 24th July, 1966.

and Accounts for the financial period 1931. - The appropriation of profits and the fixing of the

Supervisory Board.

- The Prorogation of the duties of the Auditors.

Any other business.

In order to attend or be represented at the Meeting,

Shareholders who wish to attend the Meeting are requested to make advance application to the Company for



is being used mainly to buy out minority interests in some of the group's key properties both in the United Kingdom and Australia.

At the same time, Hammerson unveiled excellent results. Taxable profits in the year to December 31, 1981 rose from £10.9m to £15.061m

rose from EIO.9m to £15.061m rights issue. Prices in Hammon gross rental income ahead by more than a quarter from £40.47m to £50.8m.

Through a series of negotiations. Hammerson has bought out the interests in the 100.000 so from a series of the news of the

the 100,000 sq ft office 800p a share and following building Mitre House in the issue, this will fall to Cheapside, London, at a cost about 725p.

Commerce Secretary's warning on recession

Leading US groups face bankruptcy

From Bailey Morris Washington, April 5 Several large United States American World Airways corporations are in such were named by a top credit precarious condition finan- rating firm as some of the cially that they may not companies on its "specula-survive the present recession tive" list, pointing to their

and the Government will not serious financial problems. help them if they fail, Mr Baldrige told reporters according to Mr Malcolm today the persistent problem the Commerce of high interest rates had compounded the problems of the ailing companies which he refused to blame on the be forced into bankruptcy Reagan Administration.

be forced into our party before the economy begins to instead. Mr Balurige in rebound, which he said sisted that United States would happen some time this corporations had been hit with a barrage of problems Though not identified by which had grown steadily Mr Bahirige, International over a 15-year period, cre-Harvester, Brandf Inter- ating the latest economic national Chrysler and Pan crisis in America.

He predicted more of the do anything in credit alloforecasts that unemployment would continue to rise in the months ahead, possibly to a new post-depression record of 9.4 or higher. "Unemployment always increases after the bottom has reached" Mr Baldrige said.

But even if business condeteriorate more ditions rapidly than expected, the Administration would not come forward with finacial assistance to tide failing companies over the bad period. "I don't think the administration can or should

same, depressed conditions cation or subsidization for into the summer months, failing companies,"he said.

agreeing with recent private

A top executive of Sta A top executive of Stan-

In North London, where

the group developed the country's largest shopping centre at Brent Cross,

Hammerson has extended the

lease on the site to 180 years

The market reacted un-

dard and Poor, one of Wall Street's most prestigious credit rating companies, said he thought Mr Baldrige's prediction of up to three big business failures was "overly optimistic".

Mr Tom Hyland, the com-pany's vice-president for ratings, said his firm had given "speculative credit ratings" to a sizeable number of American companies and a handful of them could fail if there was no rapid improvement in the economy.





- The special report of the Auditors in accordance with - The examination and approval of the Balance Sheet

dividend. - The confirmation of the co-option of a member of the

owners of registered shares must have been entered on the register five clear days prior to the Meeting. Holders of bearer shares must deposit, at least five clear days prior to the Meetings at the Head Office, either their share certificate or a certificate of deposit, issued by the bank, financial institution or stockbroker with whom their shares are lodged.

an admission card.



Going south with the fleet... Singing in the rainwear

The market is dominated by fear

Fear and greed are the most important motivation in the stock market (Saily White writes). This week fear dominated, as the Argentine invasion forces shook the British Government. But there were also a lot of technical factors that contributed to the shares'

Yesterday was the first day of the tax year. Some selling came from investors who wanted to lock in profits. The Inland Revenue now allows each individ-ual £5,000 of capital gains, up from £3,000. There is now more scope for tax saving. It is the beginning of a three-

week account that includes a long Bank Holiday. Investors who take a trading view were selling rather than risk being locked in over period of uncertainty created by rising United States interest rates. Then the jobbers started the account slightly long of stock as recent trading had been good and the market seemed inclined to rise because of the improving wholesale price figures. They were very quick to mark down prices yesterday to avoid adding to stock

Gilts were due to "consolidate" according to many brokers' recommendations — that is fall after recent rises. Institutions were cautious about buying.

earlier.
March sales fell to 771,293

vehicles from 956,262 vehicles a year earlier while

deliveries of domestic cars declined 23 per cent and import sales fell 21 per cent.

The future is also bleak

with analysts forecasting that

April sales may fall further because rebate programmes began winding down at the end of March d the pattern

has been for sales to plunge

when they end.
In an effort to ease the

inevitable letdown, General Motors last week began offerng interest-rate sub-

sidies in place of its expired

cash rebatesm, and Chrysler

extended its discount offer

until April 10. Ford is expected to follow suit. The latest round of price

promotions never really stimulated a high level of

Detroit, April 6.—Despite vehicles from 7 another round of price promotions by the United States car makers, sales in March clined 23 per cent to 3 fell 22 per cent from a year cars; Ford, 18 per centiler.

at high prices.

Lastly, private client selling started the dive as panic set in about the stability of the Government. What sort of selling comprises volumes of small parcels of shares and has in the past started major downward spirals. Given that prospect institutions sold, too, just in case the market went south with the fleet.

Baird spots a silver lining

When a company's principal activities are in textiles and engineering the going is bound to be hard (Sally White writes). William Baird, Glasgow-based textile and industrial group, is in that position, and warned shareholders at the half-way stage that it was finding life a struggle in this stage of the economic cycle. For the final the company has announce pretax profit down from £8.1m to £5.7m on sales down from £152m to £151m. The final dividend is 7.5p. unchanged on increased capital. making 12.5p.

A breakdown of trading profit shows that the textile side is down from £6.1m to £4.5m and Darchem, the industrial side is down from 52.8m to 52.3m. While the share price fell slightly on its own account, as well as with the market generally, these results were ex-

Donald Parr, the company's new chairman, is cautious about pros-pects for this year, but market hopes are for £8½m. to £10m at least. That would leave the yield in double figures — still just below 9 per cent — heich is to be expected,

GM sales for March de-

clined 23 per cent to 349,506 cars; Ford, 18 per cent to 135,210; Chrysler, 25 per cent to 72,627; Volkswagen of America sales of domestically

built cars, 41 per cent to 9,987; and American Motors, 50 per cent to 4,963.

A year ago, late-March sales provided a classic example of what typically

happens when extensive price promotions end. Mid-March 1981 had been the final 10

days of cash rebates, and

domestic sales hit a robust

10.1 million-vehicle pace. Then without the help of rebates, late-March 1981 sales

plunged to a 5.1 million-

It came as little surprise to

industry analysts that late-March domestic sales this

sales. In March, for example, year were equivalent to a president of American Hondomestic sales fell to 572,293 seasonally-adjusted annual da, said March was a good

US car sales tumble despite promotions

year rose 24 per cent to Motor Sales US spokesman 235,292 vehicles from the year-earlier 189,248 deliverdes. Late-March sales this Clifford G. Schmillen, vice

given the areas in which Baird operates. The ratin g would be an undemanding 6 times.

As a company, Baird has changed its shape several times, always aiming to diversify. But its last acquisition, in December, was to buy the rainwear maker Dannimac for £8.3m — Dannimax made £3.3m pretax in the year to Mau 9, 1981.

While the Dannimac profit for the year before acquisition was said to be an exceptional one, it is a good quality business and might be able to do the same amount if there is little bit of cash around in the High Street. The other textile business — 40 per cent of output goes to Marks & Spencer should also be able to perform better this year as comment coming from the textile industry generally is that margins should

Baird's industrial interests have also been concentrated on high quality business. Its main oper-ations are insulation and contracts were won last year to insulate the Torness nuclear power station near Edinburgh and the nuclear power station at Heysham. These contracts will show through in the figures this

Cash is the strong point about Baird: even when the rest of the business is fighting for better profit margins it can still make money on the 50p of cash it has per share. Investment income last year was £1.2m against £1.6m.

While opinion has warmed to Baird, it has cooled a little on another major company in the textile industry, Dawson. Yester-

715,262 rate of about 5.8 million month, even though Honda sales fell 21 per cent to 29,594 vehicles. "We sold

every car we got, and our

dealers are down to a 10-day supply of cars."

Percentage of US market

(excluding imports)

PERCENTAGE OF TOTAL

US MARKET

General Motors ... 46.3

Toyata.....

Volkewagen.....

Honda Other Imports

General Motors......

Merch March 1982 1981

61.1 61.2 23.6 22.2

A Wall Street journal

survey of leading importers showed that March import

sales declined to about 199,000 vehicles from the year-earlier 241,200. Analysts

said the decline, to a seaso-

nally adjusted annual pace of about 2 million vehicles,

reflects import restrictions

on Japanese cars and a softening market for small

importers announced sales

declines, ranging from 9.5 per cent for Nissan US to 49

per cent for Chrysler, which imports cars made by Mitsu-

Besides the effects of

import restrictions, Japanese

importers attributed their lower sales to the weak economy. "The recession is hurting everybody", a Toyota Motor Sales US spokesman

All six leading Japanese



A Christies auction: lot to think about

day, it was announced that Brian with its leaner cost structure, got rat Haggas has resigned as deputy chairman. Since he was associated with "tight cash" management, the market view is that investors could be cautious

Christies feels the pinch

The international art market has not proved quite as resilient as the first-half figures from the two major auction houses. Christies International and Sothebys, were suggesting. Sothebys was already starting to feel the squeeze last year but Christies,

INFOTECH

Team will

study link

with Japan

The government has set up

a study group of academics and members of industry and

government ministries to advise on the scope for

collaborative research pro-grammes needed to exploit information technology. Headed by Mr John Alvey, senior director of technology

at British Telecom, the group

is expected to report to Mr

Kenneth Baker, by the end of

The move follows a visit to Japan last October by a delegation led by the Depart-

human voice.

products.

The group consists of the following: Mr John Alvey, senior director of technology, British Telecom; Mr

computer software programmes development, com-

puter aided design, silcon technology as part of its brief.

at Lacy, the Smethwick manufacturer and distributor of perforated and expanded metal and plastic sheeting, saw pretax profits for 1981 fall by £300,000 to £2.35m. But the final dividend was raised by 2.14p gross to 11.4 gross, making a total payout for the year of 20p gross, an increase of 12 per cent.

ASH & LACY

Dividend up & Lacy, the Smethwick

by with only a one-tenth cut in inc

been much less kind to Christies with pre-tax profits in the period slumping two-fifths to £2.02m to leave the full year down by a quarter at £5.28m. With the stock market hoping to see Christies get through an admittedly very diffi-cult year with perhaps no more than a £1.5m decline in profits, the shares eased 6p to 134p in a weak market generally.

They would probably have fared even worse, given the forecast of a drop in profits in the current half-year, but for the group's decision to maintain the dividend

a share gross. The 7½ per ield is, a couple of points than that of Sotherbys. cent t from the added pressures by Christies decision last ber to trim the buyers prenum from 10 to 8 per cent, the full effect of which is reflered in the chairman's cau-tious assessment for the current six porties, the main pressures have ome on the cost front.

Agr a 10 per cent rise in auctin sales in the first half, ther was a fall in the second and e whole year the total was a £10m ahead at £185m ared with the double figure h rates of previous years. addition auction sales have d to be in small lots rather the lucrative headline-catch-ig sales that have boosted s in recent years. pre-tax total has also been

flattered by higher interest ne from the group's very st balance sheet and foreign ange gains of £759,000 arising its interests in the United s and Switzerland.

far as the immediate future ncerned, the key to Christies ling lies in the fact that costs Id not be rising as steeply as ebys, now that its overseas usion is completed. it it still remains to be seen the two big houses survive,

ild the gloves really come of he competition battle. At the nent Christies looks better ed but Sothebys has surprised fine art market as well as the k market in the past.

Sir Jack: joining board

Sir Jack Stewart-Clark, tormer managing director of Philips Electrical and Pye of Cambridge, has been appointed to the board of Low and Bonar, Sir Jack represents East Sussex in European Parliament.
Mr Carles W: Orange has been

APPOINTMENTS

panel's new

of British & European Reinsu-rance, Mr T. Roberts, general manager of UK, General Accident

Fire & Life Corporation, and Mr P.

Sepal, managing director of Albany Life Assurance, have been

named members of the Panel of Insurance Advisers. Mrs M.

Turner, assistant general sec-

retary, Association of Scientific Technical and Managerial Staffs,

and Mr M. Weinberg, deputy

chairman and joint managing director of Hambro Lide Assur-

ance, have been reappointed to

chairman and joint

the panel.

Insurance

members

made finance director of AAH Holdings from June 1. Mr M. Rayburn has been appointed to be been appointed to be board of the burnah-Castrol Company as personnel director. Mr M. P. Ridley has also been appointed to

the board, he will be responsible for lubricants manufacturing and distribution operations. Mr. Michael Sheeran has become managing director of the Charles Clark Motor Group.

Mr C. H. Stapleton has been appointed a director of Gill & Duffue Group. He is joint managing director of Pacol, one of the company's principal subsidiaries. Mr N. J. Cosh will be joining the company on May 1 and has been appointed to the board as group finance director from that date, Mr. R. G. McFall and Mr. R. J. Thoma have retired and have left the board of the company.

Mr Robert L. Black has been

named group chief executive of Minimal Somers. He succeeds Mr Jack Picken who has retired. Mr. Ian Brash of the Crown Cork Co, has been elected chairman of the executive committee of the British Aerosol Manufacturers' Association. He succeeds Mr George Hodgson who has re-signed as chairman of the association. Mr Michael O'Donoven of Beecham Proprietaries has been elected vice-chairman. He was previously chairman of the Association's Marketing & External Relations Committee. Mr Anthony Bracking of Johnson Wax has been appointed the new chairman

been appointed the new chairman of this committee.

COMMODITIES

SILVER: Sullion market (fit levels):—Spot, 420.75p per troy of united States cents equivale (77.60); three, months, 434.176.00c; alx months, 434.176.00c; alx months, 448.184.90c). London Metal 184.90c). London Metal 184.90c; three months, 442.44.284.90c; three months, 442.44.284.90c; three months, 422.42.90c; three months, 422.42.90c; three months, 421.42.90c; three months, 421.42.90c; three months, 421.42.90c; three months, 421.42.90c; three months, 425.94.90c; three months, 425.94.90c; three months, 425.94.90c; three months, 425.94.90c; three months, 425.94.90c. Settlement of the months of the m

Mr Kenneth Baker: expe

reported to the group which reported to the group which determined that a study team could help formulate the policy to be followed by British industry in developing information technology

Sharp rebutta

Sir Derek Ezra, char of the National Coal has made a sharp and detailed rebuttal of crisssms by a back bench compattee of MPs, who had accuse the board of "dumping" coal abroad and making unitalistic forecasts of future coal demand.

In a letter to this committee, Sir Derek says the board is disturbed by the

In particular Sir Derek rejects the charge of Adumping", a label which the committee had attached to the board's policy of selling its surplus coal production abroad at what it admits is at best at cost price.

best at cost price. The board contest the assertion that their current exports policy constitutes 'dumping' in the pejorative sense in which the committee appears to be using the word. 'It implies that they are adopting improper pricing

pliers who themselves are trading fairly and that this policy carries a high cost penalty which is being passed on to United Kingdom tax payers and coal users". in fact, says Sir Derek, the coal exports are priced in line with European Community rules, which forbids undercuting to secure business, but allow "alignment" to competition from third

countries. The coal board's

almost 10 million tonnes s year last year — were made at

a delivered cost above com-parable coals from third

countries.
Far from costling the

External sales fell fractions for the factor of the factor clined, reflecting easurates, by more than £200, to £2.35m. But a sharp rise to £2.35m. But a sharp rist taxation from £297,000 £661,000 left profits after, well down at £1.69m c pared with £2.35m. higher tax charge was laudue to a leap in defer provisions from a £27 credit to £144,000 debit.

and metal industries

particular, trading improduring the second his Pretax profits in 1980 wex

record. This encouraged directors sto recommendation dividend.

Earnings per share co quently slipped from 56.4 40.5p, if the exceptional credit of £25,080 is exclu But the current sccounts show earnings share falling from 39.3 24p. The same accounts s 24p. The same accounts a pretax profits of £1 against £1.93m in £1980.

ment of Industry to study the prospects of collaboration with the Japanese on the development of what is termed Fifth Generation computers — those com-puters which would have 'super' processing capabili-ties and respond to the The visit precipitated a seminar in London at the beginning of this year which was attended by delegates from the three main sectors represented on the new advisory panel. The results of the preliminary discussions with the Japanese were

report by summer.

nology, British Telecom; Mr Iann Barron, managing director, Inmos; Mr Colin Haley, director, product line planning, ICL; Mr Philip Hughes, chairman, Logica Holdings; Mr Charles Read, director, Inter Bank Research Organization; Mr Derek Roberts director of research, GEC; Mr Keith Warren, director of technology and strategic plandemand.

The board's angir response follows an stadily forceful reply from Mr Nigel Lawson, the Secretar of State for Energy, last week, and seems likely to lad to more exchanges between the coal industry and the select Committee on Energy shich has so far failed to establish itself as an influential voice in energy matters. Warren, director of technology and strategic planning, Plessey; Mr Brian Oakley, secretary, Science and Engineering Research Council; Dr Hywel Davies, deputy controller, research programmes, Ministry of Defence; Mr John Major, Under Secretary, electronics applications division, Department of Industry and Mr Alastair Macdonald, Under Secretary, information technology division, Department of Industry.

The group will advise on computer software pro-

board is disturbed by the committee's apparent misunderstanding of certain aspects of the board's position in its report published last month. He calls of the committee to correct some of the unfortunate and misleading impressions" that it has given.

texpayer money, the extra business has enabled the NCB to avoid the costs involved in stocking coal that would otherwise have gone unsold, and has also gener-ated large cash income, Sir

Derek says. He claims it is the only way the board could meet its financial targets set by the

COMPUTER GROUP

Staff buy in

Hundreds of employees of the computer services company Computer Management Group have rused fin through funding Provided by the Clydesdele bank to buy about 28 per cent of the

company.
A total of 372 employees, of whom 192 work in Britain, have raised the money for the purchase which now means that more than 50 per ent of the company is owned by its workforce in Britain, Holland, West Germany and Belgium. In all, 476 of the

650 employees are now shareholders.

The share sale has been due primarily to the retirement of Mr Bryan Mills, one of the company's founders. About 27.3 per cent of the sale shares were riwned by sold shares were owned by Mr Mills, his family and an Mr Mills, his family and an associated trust. Applications were oversubscribed so co-founders Mr Doug Gorman and Mr Bob Fawcett put about I per cent of total shares, on sale as well to satisfy demand.

JOHNSON MATTHEY

Commodity deal Johnson Matthey Bankers,

the bullion trading subsidiary of Johnson Matthey, has paid £2.7m for Wallace Brothers, a commodity broker. The purchase is the most recent of several changes of ownership among commodity compa-Wallace Brothers consists

wanace brothers consists of an American as well as a British company, both of which specialize in soft commodities such as coffee, cocoa and sugar. Johnson Matthey has bought the companies from Brooke Bond.

In January, Brooke Bond sold its insurance broking interests, 50 per cent of Gillbrooke Insurance Holdings, to its partner in the venture, Gill & Duffus, one of London's leading comsense in which the committee appears to be using the word.

"It implies that they are adopting improper pricing policies to break into established world markets to the detriment of traditional sup-

LATEST RESULTS

increase of 12 per cent. The company says that, despite the recession, which hit manufacturing in general

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Company int or Fin	Sales Em	Profits Em	Earnings per altare	Div Douce	Pay Year's date total
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Highlights of the year 1981

For our Group, 1981 was a highly successful period. Earnings rose by 22.7%, our capital reached USS 920 million and new offices were opened in Singapore, London, Athens, Buenos Aires, Monte Carlo and Los Angeles.

Our strategy of matching the interest rate sensitivity on assets and liabilities stood us in good stead, and throughout the year we continued to refine our treasury management systems. This, combined with cautious lending, enabled us to achieve a significant increase in net interest despite difficult economic conditions and unpredictable interest rates.

The Boards of Trade Development Bank Holding S.A. and Republic New York Corporation have announced that they are studying the possibility of an amalgamation. Founded by Trade Development Bank in 1966 with a capital of USS 11 million, Republic now accounts for nearly half the Group's total capital and earnings. An amalgamation would be a logical step to simplify the Group's corporate structure and concentrate its capital resources in one banking enterprise. However, before taking such an important step, both Boards would have to be satisfied that the interests of clients and minority shareholders

excluding exceptional profit

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Average number of shares outstanding during the year

Earnings per share:

would be protected and that the amalgamation is acceptable to the regulatory authorities. We have therefore formed a study group to make a detailed investigation before making a final recommendation to shareholders.

The Board is recommending a dividend of US\$ 1.40 per share, compared with the regular dividend of US\$ 1.00 per share paid last year, to which was added an anniversary bonus of US\$ 0.25 per

78,083

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10th March, 1982

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Consolidated Balance Sheet as at 31st December, 1981 But to great most to proposed directed

Assets	1981 1981	1980	Liabilities	51st De 1981	1980
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Proc. USS "Sortiage	12,093,959	6,9***,664		12,093,959	9,977,66
1980 figures have been restated to conform w	nth 1951 presen	tatron	Letters of credit, acceptances and guarantees	481.052	508,98

Trade Development Bank Holding S.A.

Principal Affiliates

Trade Development Bank, Geneva Republic National Bank of New York, New York, Other affiliates and offices in. Athens, Beirut, Buenos Aires, Ciracas, Chiasso, Frankfurt, George Town, Hong Kong, London, Los Angeles, Luxembourg, Mexico City, Miami, Monte Carlo, Montevideo, Nassau, Panama City, Paris, Punta del Este, Rio de Janeiro, Santiago de Chile, São Paulo, Singapore, Tokyo.

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shop floor, has produced talk of a productivity "miracle"—the suggestion that the long-run frend of productivity has shifted upwards from the sluggish 1½ per cent or so seen for much of the 1970s.

Others take the view that

recent rapid productivity growth is temporary, and

unlikely to be sustained.

They argue that the figures

have been boosted artificially by closure or mothballing of

by closure or mothballing of less productive capacity to give a once-and-for-all productivity boost. And they point out that in past recessions labour "shaken out" has been "shaken in" again once recovery is underway, dampening previous productivity growth.

The Treasury counters this by arguing that continuing

by arguing that continuing

competitive pressures, and companies' expectations "of only moderate economic recovery", will keep up the pressure to hold costs down and by implication to be cautious about recruiting

We shall not know who is

right until output recovers in samest. But no one is suggesting that last year's productivity gains can be repeated. Over the next tew

months, as job losses con-tinue while output picks up, productivity is likely to go on

rising, though at a lower pace. But in the longer term

even believers in miracles

cannot expect sustained productivity growth above European levels between 3

This alone would be twice

as good as Britain's perform-

ance over the past few years.

Another problem area is the scene abroad Britain can

and 4 per cent a year.

BUSINESS NEWS/FOCUS AND COMMENT

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COMMODITIES



Workers WĤ a say

The Swedish employers as sociation, the Swedish Labour Federation and white collar unions have reached of our own domestic labours, an agreement to give about 1.5 million workers in private industry a greater say in the running of their companies.

The employees will also have a voice in the adoption of new technology, organization of work plans and economic decisions.

However, the so-called codetermination committees best performance since the

determination committees will not have any veto over employer's right to hire and fire, as unions demanded

some years ago.

Japanese car registrations hit an all-time monthly high in March, going up 6.5 per cent from a year before to a total

France.

The result will have been

to boost British competitive-ness by perhaps 2 per cent or so, in addition to the gain

Government ministers are

losing no apportunity to renegate their message that continued low pay settlements and greater productivity are essential if

expressed in a common

 Japan does not intend to reduce lits self-imposed cell-ing on car exports to Canada this year, Mr Shintaro Abe, the International Trade and so, in addition to the gain from a 10 per cent drop in sterling over the year, enabling us to claw back, perhaps a quarter of the 50 per cent loss of competitiveness suffered during 1979 and 1980. Industry Minister, announced yesterday. He said he would recommend that exports be kept to the 1981

AUSTRALIA

Employment in Australia fell in February, reversing the previous 12 months' trend, previous 12 months trend, according to seasonally adjusted estimates issued by the Statistics Bureau. The bureau said civilian employment (seasonally adjusted) fell to 6,412,800 in February, down 5,000 or 0.1 per cent from January. In February last year, employment increased by 23,100 or 0.4 per cent. On wages, the signals are unimpressive if not alarming. Pay settlements in the 1981-82 wage round are averaging about 7 per cent in manufacturing, the most internationally exposed sector of the economy.

Despite the fall from January, employment in the nationally explatest month remained at the economy. latest month remained at 76,600 or 1.2 per cent higher than a year earlier.

Mr. Nils Asling, Swedish Industry Minister, who is touring Western Australia's mining operation areas, urged Australian companies to invest in Sweden to force their way into the European

UNITED STATES

International coal shipments will more than double in the 1980s - from 192 million tonnes in 1980 to 425 million tonnes by 1990, according to National Economic Research Associates, an American firm of consulting economists. It predicted that coal imported by Europe will rise by 1 per cent a year above the general rate of inflation between 1985

WEST GERMANY

West German crude steel production totalled 3.88 million metric tons in March, up 11.3 per cent from February Pig iron output rose 12.1 per cent to 3.82 million tonnes.

West German crude steen production rose 3.1 per cent in the first quarter of 1982 over the same year ago period to 10.76 million ton-nes, the regional bureau of the federal statistics office said in Dusseldorf.

• The West German manufacturing industry index of incoming orders fell by a provisional 1.9 per cent seasonally adjusted in Feb-ruary, after being unchanged in January.

FRANCE

ETPM, a subsidiary of the French Vallourec steel pipe group, has been awayded a by the Norwegian state oil company Statoil to lay a pipeline in the North Sea. It is one of the biggest orders of its transfer.

BELGIUM

Belgium unemployment at the end of March remained at a record high of 10.9 per cent. The only big change was a decline of 2,000 in the number of young jobless.

The trade deficit of the Belgo-Luxembourg Economic Union widened sharply in January to a provisional Bel Fr 30,800m from Bel Fr 1,800m in December, the national institute of statistics reported in Brussels. January marked a worsening of the economic union's trading position, which had improved in the end of last year after a record deficit of Bel Fr 51,600m was recorded in

UGANDA

Uganda will request the potential donors at a World Bank meeting in Paris on May 17 for help in its \$600m (about £327m) recovery plan. "We are telling the inter-national community belo us now. If you do, in two years we will be on the other side of the counter," Mr Eph-Kumuntu.

Frances Williams assesses our competitiveness

The international race Britain cannot win

Last year witnessed a rate if not unique event in recent. British economic history. We managed, in a small way, to improve our internationally competitive position by direct of our own domestic labours. sharply later this year; that when output was still falling, memployment is likely to This, plus anecdotal evidence stabilize or rise yeary slondy, about new attitudes and redundancy; and that compassion floor, has produced talk and redundancy; and that compassion of a productivity "giracle". redundancy; and that company profits are predicted to increase rapidly, by anything between 20 and 30 per cent in 1982 with similar improvement in 1983.

All these factors are likely world markers.

In 1981 lower pay settlements and a surge in productivity produced a rise in wase costs per unit of output of only 2½ per cent, Britain's best performance since the mid-1960s when wage costs actually fell. This compares with a rise of 25 per cent in the year to mid-1980. By contrast, the latest international comparisons show unit wage costs rising at a yearly rate of 3 per cent in Japan, 4 per cent in Germany, 11 per cent in the United States and 14 per cent in France.

to encourage workers to press for higher pay to compensate for the drop in living standards over the past year or so.

Information collected by

Incomes Data Services, a private company which monitors pay, reveals that a few companies, in better financial shape than last year, have agreed to somewhat higher may deals this time around. may deals this time around. Though companies may be disinclined to be generous on wages — the higher profits

Most economic forecasters believe the next pay round will see a higher level of settlements, perhaps of

round 9 to 10 per cent 3

rwill not be enough to finance stockbuilding and more in-vestment, let alone high pay settlements — they may findit hard to resist workers claims for some modest relaxation. If economic recovery persists in subsequent years, the pressures on pay

are certain to grow stronger. The Government, not sur-The Government, not sur-prisingly, is taking a more optimistic line. Treasury economists, who expect that inflation will be into single figures shortly and could fall to 7'h par cent by the middle of nest year, believe that workers are unlikely to get pay rises significantly above the haffarion rate. (In the present round and the last, wage deals have averaged the economy.

The index of competitive the inflation rate. (In the present round and the last present round and the last wage, deals have averaged output in this country compared with our competitors, pared with our competitors.

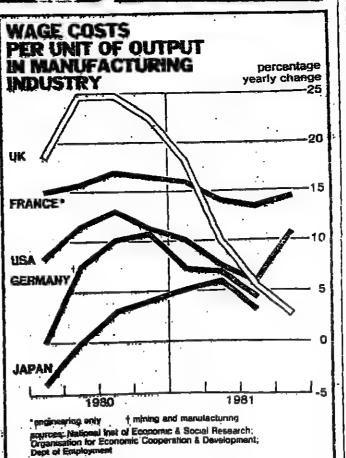
The index of competitive the inflation rate. (In the present round and the last wage, deals have averaged about 3 per cent below the pared with our competitors.)

Some small rise in earnings.

expressed in a common Some small rise in earnings next year would not upset the improvement in competitive statement rates in the previous pay round, despite But it is not at all certain that steadily climbing unemployment and continued depressed output.

The majority of economic forecasters believe that the next pay round will see a person hours by over a next pay round will see a per person-hour by read of settlements, per cent to surpass the peak perhaps of about 9-10 per cent to surpass the peak perhaps of about 9-10 per cent to surpass the peak perhaps of about 10 to 12 per cent to surpass the peak perhaps of about 10 to 12 per cent taid output that per cent taid output the per cent taid output that p

This is a bigger rise than The forecasters point out experience of past recessions that industrial output is would have suggested and it



% change	UK	US	Јарая	France	Germany
Unit wage costs 1975-1980	89	36	0	45	17
atest quarter 1980-81	2.6	10.8	2.9	14.4	4.5
hour 1975-80	7	15	42	31	10
Letest quarter 1980-81	8.3	4.4	4.8	-4.6	3.9

costs elsewhere has thus not decelerated as dramatically only improve her competitive position without recourse to devaluation if her unit labour costs are rising more slowly than shoes of international as in Britain. But economic recovery, which will be boosted by the recent drep in oil prices, means that productivity is beginning to improve in most countries. Last year she may have succeeded. But there are signs that in other countries Even if it only gets back on trend — end it should do better than that in the early too the rise in labour costs may be slowing down.

Over the past year or so recassion, as in Britain, has tended to inhibit the growth of 2% per cent a year of earnings. (France, which is trying to reflate its aconomy is a clear excep-

tion.) But recession has also slowed the growth of productivity, reflecting the usual pattern in which productivity falls and rises with output. The reason is that output is normally cut more anti-li-All this serves to demonstrate how fast Britain has international race for competing their hands alone. To do titiveness. If our main trading partners, with their disappointment and recalcinormally cut more quickly than jobs. better productivity records trance.

The increase in unit labour and, on the whole, historically lower pay settlements, succeed in reducing growth in unit labour costs over the coming year Britain's modest advantage gained so painfully over recent months will

quickly disappear.

There is no alternative to some futher depreciation of sterling if the Government wishes to improve significantly the competitiveness of British industry. This does not mean that containing unit labour costs is unimportant. It reduces the need for devaluation and dampens its inflationary impact.
But the Government should

not pretend to British workers that the achievement of greater competitiveness lies

Business Editor

The pressure stays on

For those who have been advocating a lower exchange rate, sterling below \$1.75 and heading fast for DM4.20 may seem like a reasonable start. But even if they were happy with a small devaluation, I rather doubt that the authorities doubt that the authorities are inclined to see silver linings on the present foreign exchange clouds.

Indeed, the far more pressing thought must be how to arrest a much more serious run on the pound should it show signs of developing in the days and weeks ahead. Money market rates have been relatively slow to respond — largely thanks to a generous supply of liquidity from the Bank - though period rates were notativ firmer vesterday and bill dealing rates clearly reflected nervousness on the part of the houses given that the forecast shortage was no more than £50m. Presumably, the Bank will want to hold off taking interest rate action as long as possible. But if it chooses to play it that way. then action when it does come will almost certainly have to be of the crisis rather than the tinkering

ironically, yesterday's preliminary estimate of a March money supply (sterling M3) rise of only 4 per yesterday's cent was better than generally expected.

variety.

Although domestic money supply developments are hardly likely to be a major factor in foreign exchange market thinking at ther moment, the figures are in any case not necessarily as any case not necessarily as good as they look.
Without the benefit of the collection of a further £1,000m of back tax, sterling M3 might well bave grown by closer to 1 per cent

cent, Bank lending to the

private sector is once again the villian of the piece, probably rising by at least £2,080m. The London clearers estimate the underlying increase in their lending at £1,600m-£1,700m. But that will represent some move-ment by borrowers out of market borrowing back into overdrafts; and the Bank's own massive purchases of commercial bills may well be offset by a large fall in discount house balance sheets and non-bank hold-ings of bills.

Hammerson Tidying up

The wish to tidy up the portfolio is the excuse given by Hammerson Property and Investment Trust chair-men Mr Sydney Mason for asking shareholdersto dig into their pockets for £70.5m. The bulk (£55.9m) of cash from the 3 for 10 rights issue is being used to rights issue is being used to buy out minority interests in some of the group's properties, incuding the Brent Cross shopping cen-tre. The remainder is earmarked for extending Hammerson's Bow Valley Square development in Calgary, Canada.

For the year to December the group's gross rental incoem was £50.8m, up a quarter, and the Mitre House and Brent Cross deals should be worth an additional £5m in canal additional £3m in revenue. Pre-tax profits last year were up by almost a half at just over £15m. Just over £15m.

The market shuddered slightly on yesterday's rights news, and with the erdinary and "A" closing at

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600p and 585p respectively, the group is capitalized at £282m. Estimated net asset value

though some brokers are forecasting a net asset value of 760p from the resulting

marriage values.

Mr Mason is at long last complying with the new accounting standard for property investment companies and is undertaking an internal revaluation of the group portfolio this year with a promise that an with a promise that an independent valuation will be conducted within the next five years. This may finally end the estimates of the company's true worth. the company's true worth which have been floating around the market for

Bowater Asset backing

ket forecasts of £160m pretax profits for 1981, turning in £106.7m. The group's share price also bucked the market's downward trend, rising 1p to 239p despite the failure to increase the year's dividend from 16.42p gross. But behind the apparent gloss, the figures are not wildly encouraging and seem to point towards barely improved profitability in the present year. A prime factor in the profits iraprovement—up from £85m last time— is the favourable sterling/dollar oxchange rate. Bowater has bettered marchange rate.

North American paper and pulp continues to contribute the major part of the group's profits and its asset backing for the share. asset backing for the snare.
Bowater expects it to go on doing so for the forseeable future, but two major problems are looming.
The slow-down of the United States economy and renegotiation of Camadian labour contracts in the

renegousition of Causdian labour contracts in the present year — traditionally a tough proposition — have acted as antidotes to enthusiasm about Bowater's 1982 apparents 1982 prospects. Newsprint operations

which account for between 35 and 40 per cent of group trading profits - are said to he holding up well, with the main problem one of over-capacity rather than noon capacity rather than poor demand. Newsprint stocks are however understood to he around double their normal level. The pulp operations are near the bottom of the cycle, and the hope is that demand should begin to improve by the end of the year, depending on the strength of an economic

recovery.
As for the United Kingdom operations, 1982 may he slightly less descourage ing. Last year the profitabi-lity of British and European sector fell by £6m, but 1981's rationalization exercise should reduce costs.
About £7m went on cutting back the size of the

workforce; and Heavy loss maker were also disposed of. But trading is still bumping along the bottom with no sign of sustained

recovery.

A yelld of 6.9 per cent is hardly exciting without speculative takeover support. Current cost share-holders' funds of £819m make Bowater a large lump to swallow - but them the current market value of the group is a rather more modest £375m.

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Airing grievances, dispelling rumours

In spite of all the demo-

cratic paraphernalia, how-eyer, it is an essentially paternalistic system. Mr Roberts did not like that

particular word but admitted

that the degree of consul-tation depended entirely on how much he, as chairman of the company and of the council, was prepared to

Conversations with Mr Roberts and three other members of the council did

memoars of the Council that not reveal many major devel-opments which had been inspired by the council, apart from the establishment of a

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AT WORK: INDUSTRIAL DEMOCRACY

cent over the year.

By Rupert Mornis

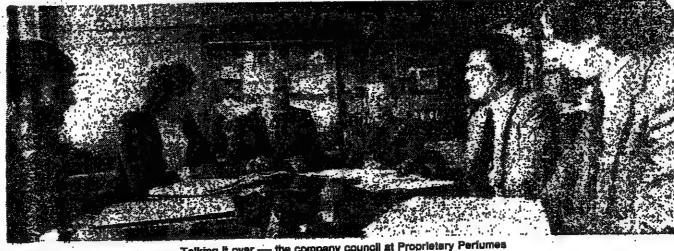
Enthusiasm for worker participation — or industrial democracy, if you prefer — has been at best sporadic since the Bullock. Report sank amid widespread recriminations in 1977. The Post Office's decision to second its worker-director its worker-director scheme two years ago was a further setback.

Old-fashioned ments and trade unions suspicious of schemes that smell of collaboration have combined to prevent isolated initiatives leading to any general move toward greater employee involvement.

Among the isolated suc-cesses have been profit-sharing schemes like the one sparing schemes like the one ing company — its turnover operated by British Petrolast year was £57m — which leum, which claims a 60 per last year was £57m — which the tresponse to its offer of stoppage among its 500 one to any employee with leum, which claims a by per cent response to its offer of two shares for the price of one to any employee with more than four years' ser-vice. But other large firms, such as GEC; are opposed to such schemes, arguing that it is virtually impossible to relate individual employees' performance to the com-pany's share value and that consequently employee shareholding schemes pro-vide no real productivity

incentive. At a more modest level however, there is a form of worker participation which has grown out of Bullock and been adopted by a sprinkling of medium-sized firms with some success. It is the company council.

Proprietary Perfumes (PPL), of Ashford, Kent, a subsidiary of Unilever, introduced such a company council in 1976. There was no pressure for trade union recognition, and industrial relations were calm. They have remained so ever since and Mr Geoffrey Roberts, PRL chairman, has been able to spread the word about



Talking it over — the company council at Proprietary Perfumes

relations that seem to reign at PPL are autriburable to the existence of the company council. But PPL is indisputably a successful and grow-

which runs to six foolscap pages, deals at length with consultation. But it rapidly becomes clear that the prime object is communication. PPL's work force has shown little inclination to take an active part in management policy making. Roberts said:

Mr ROBERTS Satu: We needed to make sure that people felt involved in what was happening, at all grades, both management and nonmanagement. It's like a family, where you know that if you stop talking to each other you are in trouble." The employees take it very

seriously. Their representa-tives are elected from the varions divisions - per-fumery, works, research and development, commercial and marketing - to serve on the council for two years. The level of voting is high, with 85 per cent taking part. Candidates and their supporters make posters and rosettes which clutter the

Mr Church said the council's existence did not stop the management taking to spread the word about factory at election times.

company councils to his corpsionally envious colleagues on the CBI Kent with monthly meetings of this year's chairman.

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budgets, balance sheets, in-vestment trends, sales, mar-keting and manpower. point, he said. But council members agreed that though it had its faults, the council did provide a forum for the airing of grievances, the dispelling of rumours and for general discussion which made an important contribution to morale.

Next month PPL will be integrated with the flavours and fragrances division of its parent company. The council will continue to operate at the Ashford site. Surveys of company coun-

cils and other forms of industrial democracy have been unable to show any clear trends. The British Institute of Management, for instance, produced a survey last year in which 93 per cent facilities, car parks, rest rooms and other practical matters were among the most pation. The CBI though produced

Major policy decisions are often presented to the council as faits accomplis. "But at least we'll know why," said least we'll know why," said Andrew Attfield, the company accountant and a council 17 per cent of company chairmen chairmen company or works councils and only whole truth all the time."

Anutew Atricia, the compa17 per cent of company or works councils and only 17 per cent of firms with such councils had established them in the last three in said John Church, council them in the last three years - indicating a slow rate of

But last month, in the week after Sir Raymond Pennock, CBI President, argued in the columns of The Times for more positive

based on an independent survey of the employees of the same 413 companies which showed more than half the workforce felt their managements had become less secretive and more inclined to consultation. Only 29 per cent said there had been no improvement.

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Housebuilding suffered the

In line with the rest of the

stock market, Higgs and Hill shares shed 10p to 147p where they yield 6.3 per cent.

Dividend passed

Reed Executive, the em-

ployment agency group, made a pretax loss of £1.65m

in the 53 weeks to January 2 against a £249,000 profit and is passing its final dividend, for the second year in

But it repesents some

improvement after first half losses of £954,000 pretax and

Mr Alec Reed, chairman, said

the prospects for 1982 were

decidedly more promising than at this time last year.

He added that while the group would incur a loss in the first half, this should be

share gross, against 2.13p. There was a continued improvement from the

group's 30 Medicare drug-

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succession.

REED EXECUTIVE

CLORE ESTATE

Verdict expected

The fate of one of Britain's largest private fortunes --- the estimated £40m estate of the late Sir Charles Clore — will be known tomorrow when the Court of Appeal hands down

it's judgment.
The Court will give its verdict on an Inland Revenue appeal that it should be allowed to recover tax totalling between £29mand£39mtheCloreestate. Specifically the Revenue wants authority to serve legal proceedings on Stype Investments (Jersey), a company controlled by a Jersey-based settlement set up by Sir Charles before his death. Stype remoned substantial parts of the Clore estate from Britain to Jersey, and there out of the Inland Rev-

enue's jurisdiction. But even if the Revenue wins the legal arguments, officials privately concede that they face severe difficulties in actually getting access to the Clore estate's funds, since Jersey jealously guards its tax haven status.



The late Sir Charles Clore

Sir Charles, who died in England in July 1979, was reputedly Britain's richest man'. Two years before his death he began transferring his assets out of the United Kingdom. In 1978 he sold shares worth £13m and transferred the proceeds out of the country. Two months before he died he conveyed his Herefordshire estate to Stype Investments (Jersey), and shortly after his death the estate was sold for £20.5m and the proceeds transferred to Jersey.

The Revenue has told the Court of Appeal judges that the remaining Clore estate assets in England — believed to be worth around £18m —

are not enough to pay the total tax bill. Another £15m worth of English-based assets belonging to Stype Invest-ments have been frozen by a

court injunction. In the earlier High Court hearing, the Revenue claim that Stype Investments had "inter-meddled" in the Clore estate was rejected.

This week's judgment is unlikely to be the end of the matter. The size of the sums involved make it a strong possibility that whichever side loses on Wednesday will take the case to the House of Lords.

HIGGS AND HILL

Turnover up

Completion of a number of major contracts helped Higgs major contracts neighbor miggs and Hill, the international construction and property group, to raise taxable profits by 73 per cent to £4.64m in the year to December.

This was comfortably above the forecast made by the forecast made by the forecast made by the forecast made by the Edwin Philling chairman.

Mr Edwin Phillips, chairman, at the half-year, that the second half would be comparable to the first, when profits were up from £802,000 to £1.54m pre-tax.

Turnover for the year rose from £122m to £127m, and total distributions for the year are up 35 per cent with a 5.68p gross fonal making 9.23p per share against 6.86p. In its United Kingdom construction business the chairman says that after enjoying another good year, the intake of new work was more than satisfactory in the

present market, providing a healthy workload for 1982. Overseas the Cairo Plaza project in now nearing completion, and could make a

plenon, and could make a contribution in the current year, while in Trinidad the group's performance continues to be satisfactory.

Property trading activities were hit by lack of tenant demand, but the group plans further developments, including a 70 000 sq ft warehouse. ing a 70,000 sq ft warehouse development at West Drayton, London, and a substantial office scheme at Brighton, which might be retained as and investment.

Its European property division faced similar problems of lack of demand but 1980 and 8 per cent in 1980 and 8 per cent in 1979. of lack of demand, but 1979.

development continued on its big industrial scheme at Carros, Nice, and a number of commercial schemes around Paris, all of which were likely to be eventually sold on sold on.



Bright outlook

Senior Engineering, the Warford-based engineering product trader, has staged some recovery in the second half of the year to December 1981 with pretax profits down only £1m from £5.09m to

At the half year profits fell dramatically from £3.03m to £1.4m on sales down £7.2m at £31.8m. Sales for the full year also recovered — to £68.5m against £79:05m last

At the trading level profits are down from £6.01m to slump in demand in the second half, but is stepping up output from less than 200 £4.6m, but a fall in exceptional charges from £299,000 to £266,000 and a homes last year, and has a land bank sufficient for two drop in the interest charge by almost half to £389,000 — helped the pretax figure. year's work. There were now signs of improving demand.

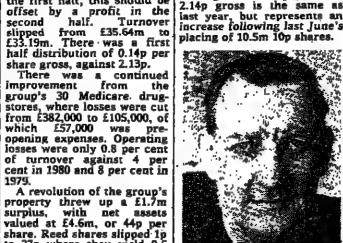
During 1981, the group's Thermal and Steel Tube divisions suffered the biggest problems of the recession, the company says. But the improved results, which are largely in line with forecasts, are due to some extent to prompt action to reorganize certain parts, the company

says. Senior, whose chairman is Professor Roland Smith, now says it has stronger resources than last year and expécts improvements in profitability to show through this year. "But margins remain under severe pressure and

business is far fron buoy-

ant", it says.

The market yesterday took account of the improved second half performance and marked the shares up ip to 26p against the trend. A final dividend of 1.07p gross, making a total payout of 2.14p gross is the same as last year, but represents an increase following last June's placing of 10.5m 10p shares.



Professor Smith

OVERSEAS COMPANIES

Fokker, the Netherlands aircraft manufacturer, reported a 10 per

cent earnings increase for 1981 on a 15 per cent rise in sales. Net income climbed to the equivalent of \$4.1m (£2.3m) year from £3.7m. Sales imped to \$485.3m from \$423m. Great Atlantic Pacific Tea, of

New Jewsey, said it expects to report a net loss - exclusive of a revitalization programme and pension plan items — for the fourth quarter and fiscal year of about £2.9m and £31.6m (£1.65m and £18m) respectively.

CAPITAL MARKETS

Price of four seasoned Euro-Price of four seasoned Euromark Bonds for Argentina plunged in heavy selling in Frankfurt yesterday, dealers said. They added that the issues, for a tital of DM550m, had lost 2 points or more in yesterday's trading and more than 4 points since the crisis with Britain over the Falkland Islands started on triday.

Argentina's most recent issue, a 10-year, DM150m bond launched in 1979 with a coupon of 7.5 per cent was trading around 76%, down over 3 points from its price late last week and compared to

down over 3 points from its price late last week and compared to the 1979 pricing of 98.5.

Other bonds, all for the Argentine state, include a seven-year, DM100m issue with a 7.5 per cent coupon priced at 99.5 in 1977, a seven-year, DM150m, 10 year issue with a 6.5 per cent coupon priced at 99 in 1978.

A 10-year, DM 150m Eurobond for the interamerican Develop-ment Bank-ladb was launched yesterday with a 9 per cent coupon and a pricing at 99.5 per cent, according to lead manager. Deutsche Bank Frankfurt traders seld the

conditions would bring a yield of 9.08 per cent, which mirrors present market conditions. The new bonds entered a mark-denominated Eurobond market cenominated Europond market that was considerably calmer from previous days. Desiers said market participants were seen holding present positions in view

BIDS AND DEALS

Striger has completed sale of its air condition and heating equip-

sir condition and heating equipment division to Snyder General Corp.

Proceeds with be applied to replace funds used to purchase, in the open market, Singer debs and Singer Credit debs due in 1999 and 1992 respectively. The sale would enable it to concentrate on other businesses more consistent with its future plans. Singer does not expect transactions to have

Mr William F. Smith Jr. president and chief executive officer of Pabst Brewing, said the American company returned to profitability in the first quarter despite an unusually cold winter

and other adverse factors. The takeover of a 12 per cent stake in Agricola Finanziaria, carried out on the Milan stock market last Friday, was rumoured to be part of the recent agreemen batween the Italian Ferruzzi group

and France's Compagnie Sucres et Denrees. -Losses among the United States federally insured Savings and Loan Associations amounted to a record \$4,600m (£2,628m) in 1981 and could widen to \$6,000m this year, Federal officials esti-

of the impending four-day Easter holiday, when West German markets are closed.

The Commonwealth Trading Bank of Australia (CTB) and Manufacturers Hanover Trust will lead manage a SAus350m funding to finance an Australian communi-cations satellite, banking sources

Eurodollar bond prices were irregularly firm yesterday morning as a syndicate led by Morgas Guaranty and Societe Generals launched a \$100m, six-yea floating-rate note issue with warrants for SNCF, the French milways.

The SNCF Issue, which is guaranteed by the French Government, pays interest quarterly at the London Interbank offered rate Each note carries a one-year warrant to purchase a like amount of 125 per cent eight was of 14.25 per cent, eight-ye SNCF notes at par.

A two-part note offering to Campbell Soup reportedly so out in one day despite aggressin terms. The offering consists of \$50m, seven-year note issue par bearing 14 per cent and \$200m, 10-year zero coupe issue at 27 to yield 13.99 p cent_

Elsewhere, a \$150m, 15-ye issue of Aetrus Life and Casual was quoted at 99.5 to 99.75 grey market trading, indicating warm reception. The issue pa 15 per cent 1986 when a new rawli be set.

significant impact on its income for 1982. The balance of the consider

satisfied by the Issue of 1,843,0 new ordinary in BCI

A circular from Brant Che cals International giving details the proposed acquisition of Reddish Companies, which first announced on Decembe 1981, has been despatched. Certain ahareholders, inclusion all the executive directors Reddish, have elected to take the consideration di BCI ordinary shares.

WALL STREET

iew York, April 6. - Share ices were mixed in moderate ading at the opening of the New brk Stock Exchange today.
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pened. Declines outnumbered advanes by 389 to 303, among the

Early NYSE turnover reached bout 3.1m shares. Prices were higher in moderate rading on American Stock

xchange. Analysis said the market may continue its search for direction ollowing its recent advances. Uncertainty about the course of interest rates, the duration of he recession and President Reagan's Budger deficits have rad a dampening influence on ally attempts.

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Mercantile Exchange and poss-ibly other commodity markets. Volume was light, The Dow Jones, Average was down by 2.47 points to 832.85 at about 11 am (New York time). Declines outnumbered advances 570-378 among the 1,426 issues

crossing the tape.

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The Wall Street and Canadian stock prices in the table relate to Monday's close, because of the shift to British Summer Time. This will continue until Eastern Daylight Time begins in the United States. BRITISH

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By Stuart Jones Football Correspondent

Tony Barton, appointed as manager of Aston Villa last week, takes his side into the semi-final of the European Cup against opponents that he watched last Sucday. For the first leg against Anderlecht at Villa Park, a capacity crowd of 48,000 and record receipts of £520,000 are expected.

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Mr Barton knows what to expect. He saw Anderlecht, Currently second in the Belgian League, go down 1-0 to their rivals, one place below them, in a match that was played in a "competitive atmosphere." Villa knew virtually nothing about Dynamo Kiev before they met them in the last round.

"Anderlecht are strong defen-ely," Mr Barton said. "They Amourisecut are strong deten-sively," Mr Barton said. "They play five at the back and are looking to pull the opposition forward before breaking quick-ly." To combat the costs y." To combat the system, utroduced by Tomislav Ivic, Villa have spent the last two days practising against their reserves, instructed to perform to a similar

n Spaniard in midfield, as Anderlecht's key figure. He will be marked by Mortimer, who dislocted his elbow in the final minute against Kiev and is still not completely fit. Bremner, injured in the same game and absent for the last three games, is though and Villa are at full The emphasis is not so much

on the ideal of taking a substantial lead, more in the realistic approach of preventing Anderiecht from scoring. It was, American from Scotning. Was, after all, Villa's performances in East Germany and in the Soviet Union that took them through to the last four and with the opportunity of extending England's hold of the trophy to six

Unlucky Hill out again

England introduce five newcomers for today's European
under-21 championship quarterfinal game with Poland at Upton
Park — but there is still no first
cap for Luton midfielder Ricky
Hill.
Hill was released by Luton
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manager David Pleat for the first-leg in Warsaw three weeks ago, even though the Second Division pacemakers had a Division pacemakers had a fixture with Barosley that night. But a crop of injuries at the club forced him to pull out and play in the promotion game. Now an ankle injury has ruled him out of

"Luton have two important matches over the Easter weekend, so it was felt that Hill's ankle should not be risked. It is unfortunate for the lad", said ::nder-21 team manager Dave

Hill's misfortune lets in another colooured midfielder. Arsenal's Paul Davis, who wins his first cap together with Andy Peake (Leicester), Andy Ritchie (Brighton). Mark Hateley (Covendant Covendant Covendan

defeat at Ipswich and in the victory over West Bromwich ably be chaosen not by me but by Albion. They flew into Birming. ham yesterday and reported dubts about a defender, de Groote, and a striker, Larsen. CSKA Sofia, Liverpool's conque-

difficult semi-final at home to
Bayern Munich. Four of their Dogreel. Do Groote, Perusowe, Coerf. Hoffwar, Joseph, Vercanteren, Chrytons, Gurta, Lersen, Lozano, Petuson, Cisen, Dejongh. weekend and their manager,

the "sweeper" Alesanco at the back, and three in midfield, doubtless reinforced whenever the need arises by the three in attack, the electrifying Simonsen and Moran, who will be flanking

Carrasco, deputy for Quini. Knee injuries keep out both Quini, Spain's top League scorer with 23 goals, and Schuster.

If not, they realise that their chances of making a second visit

to Barcelona's magnificent stadium, Campo Nuevo, scene of the final on May 22, will be

Perryosa, P Miller, P Price, C Hughton; G Hoddle, M Hazard, G Roberts; G Crooks, R Ville, A Golden, Stebe M Alekele, C Jones, J Laur, G Brooks, I Crock. BARCELONA (probable): Artols; Senchez, Oteo, Victor, Manolo, Alexanto, Simongen, Estates, Carrisson, Estates, Morres, Balance, E Maries, Morres,

Ardiles ghost lingers Locomotive Leipzig (after a three-nil away win), Barcelona have lost their last three league

By Nicholas Harling

'The poignant timing of the departure of Osvaldo Ardiles to Argentina and the possible repercussions surrounding the return of his compatriot Ricardo Villa to Tottenham Hotspur's team at White Hart Lane tonight have cast an unwanted shadow have cast an unwanted shadow over the first leg of the European Cup Winners' Cup semi-final against Barcelona,
All publicity might be good
publicity according to most
Keith

All guousity might be good publicity according to most football managers but Keith Burkinshaw was scarcely adhering to that adage as he prepared his team for what will doubtless in any case be a tumultuous

confirmed, is a man more about football than politics, the bearded Argentine, who takes the place of the suspended Archibald, will the suspended Arthurad, hopefully be more concerned with scoring goals than with the overtones. "He's big enough to contend with it", the manager said, "I've got to play him." Nor did Mr Burkinshaw have

once his most versatile player had passed a fitness test on the injured groin that forced him to miss the last few minutes of Saturday's FA Cup semi-final. Anderlecht, who have appeared in four European final in the last miss the last few minutes of dozen years, will be nothing if not experienced. They themselves had Vilh watched in the four by losing 2—1 at home to

Scotland sign police chief for World Cup

side, Captains the team again, although Tommy Caton would appear to be the closest to a place in the senior squas for the forthcoming World Cup.

Peake's part in Leicester's cup Scottish Football Association's campaign Association's campaign against hooliganism by sup-porters at the World Cup finals in Spain has been run is recognised by his inclusion, while Bannister's 17 goals have been a key factor in Sheffield Wednesday's Third Division promotion drive. reinforced by a former police chief. The interest of the Scottish

Ritchie's ten-goal total for Brighton, and Hateley's 12 for Coventry give the side an in-form look in terms of scoring.

"The tie is far from over simply because we won the away leg. The Poles looked a good allowed tide and and an arrowed side a dengerous side and fans there will be carefully monitored by John Little, the recently retired chief con-stable of Tayside, who has been given the new post of security liaison officer for the SFA for Spain. round side, a dangerous side and capable of playing quick one-

Mr Little, who was awarded the Queen's Police Medal in 1979, will begin work in Malaga almost immediately. The SFA's secretary, Ernie Walker, said yesterday: "This appointment is to safeguard our interests and the interests of the

flourish trom

Swansea

ASTON VILLA: J Rimmer, K Swain, G Williams, A Evans, K McNeught, D Mortimer, D Bremner, G Shew, P Withs, G Cowans, A Morley, Subs. N Sylnk, P Heard, K Geddis, T Bulliams, M Janus, West Brom

John Toshack, the Swansea manager, was unwilling to shuffle many cards even after gaining only one point from the last three home games. His changes were limited to the recall of his promising right back, Marustik, and the relegation to the substitutes, bench of his enigmatic striker, Leighton James, who did not make much impression in defeats by West Ham and Ipswich which have cast have lost their last three league games, conceding three goals on each occasion to have their League leadership reduced from six points to one. The Spaniards are likely to stick to their ususal formation, however of three markers plus

Albion fielding 10 of the 11 who finished Saturday's FA Cup semi-final persevered with their 1250,000 Dutch signing, Zondervan, who has managed to pick up four cautions in five games.

Swansea's inevitable opening onslaught was generated more by desperate energy than craft. Grew made good saves from a Kennedy header and a Stanley free kick and he picked up by the post a quick shot from Robbie James. But Swansea lacked the cutting edge and their only genuine chance fell to James, but he headed a pinpoint centre from Albion fielding 10 of the 11

he headed a pinpoint centre from Curtis wide of a post.

goals, and Schuster.

Their absences notwithstanding, Barcelona remain, such formidable opponents that Tottenham will do well in their 41st match of the season to secure the 2—0 lead they hope to take with them to Barcelona for the second Bromwich reached Swansea's penalty area and then Regis outjumped Stevenson to remind the Welsh supporters, by now slow-handclapping, that there might be menace lurking somewhere to the dark control of the state of where in this drab spectacle. Statham made two commendable crosses, which were followed by a caution on him for a foul tackle against Irwin. But all was forgiven, and the Vetch was drowned in despair, when West Bromwich took on the lead on half-time: Mackenzie was the acorer, slipping the ball wide of Davies efter a strong dribble through the centre from Cross.

But their pressure was rewarded in the 58th minute with a shot from Marustik, who had picked up a loose ball on the edge of the area. The goal was set up by Stanley, but he was immedi-ately despatched in favour of Leighton James, Mr Tostrack no doubt considering this a suitable psychological moment to unleash his sleepy Welsh dragon.

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Football results First Division: Birmingham City O

Scottish Cup, semi-final Rangers 3, Foriar Athletic 1. First Division: Raith 3, Kilmarto

BOXING

Australia alter dates

RUGBY LEAGUE

SQUASH RACKETS

Jahangir is within a

match of his destiny

Juhangir Khan, the world champion who appears destined to win the British Open championships, sponsored by Audi, at Bromley for the first time tomorrow, moved within one tout of doing so yesterday. He heat his Pakistani countryman Qamar Zaman, the 1975 champion who is probably his closest rival now that injury has forced the holder Geoff Hunt into a spectator's seat in the circle.

The score was 9-5, 9-5, 9-1. Mohibullah Khan, the unrelated Pakistani who took fifteen points from Jahangir in the first round, has so far been his most successful opponent. Zaman's successful opponent. Zaman's successful opponent. Zaman's ally of 11 was equalled by Ross Norman, the New Zealander, and the meagre total be has conceded in five matches so far has been 52 noise. Statistics in this case all a least the said: "Good shot"

By Keith Macklin

Alterations to the dates of the second and third international matches against Australia next winter have been forced by "an eleventh hour demand from Australia for an extra week in Britain," announced the public relations officer of the Rugby Leseus, David Howes, vesterday. League, David Howes, yesterday. Howes added that the request had created a conflict with agreed television schedules, and

The second international, originally scheduled for Sunday, November 14, will be played on the following Saturday at Wigan. The third international at Headingley will be played on Sunday, November 28 instead of on the previous day. The tourists will have just one club game between the second and third inter-

in five matches so far has been 52 points. Statistics in this case tell ro lies but indicate clearly how far the 18-year-old has gone ahead of field he only entered two years ago when he turned professional.

Furthermore, Jahangir beat Zanaan, who was playing not much less than at his best, and with a great deal more resolution

tilan he sometimes shows. The match lasted 71 minutes and the second game, in which Zaman led 5-3 and appeared to be harrying Jahangir, took 37.

"Zaman tried to be patient. In fact, he played rather differently from usual," Hunt said. Hunt watched with a fidgetty feeling the men who have been his greatest rivals in recent years.

The match took a sudden turn at 5-4 in the second game after Jahangir had been struck on the mose by Zaman's racket and left the court, for two minutes.

no.se by Zaman's racket and lett born critice court for two minutes, notel vot mopping his face with his shirt. "No", 13 (In resumption Zaman tried to two abstructed advantage of a cooler ball by raying a succession of drop shots and volleys cut short, but change.

nationals: at Widnes of Tuesday, November 23.

twos that can cause defenders problems", said Engaind man-

Ranson (Man Cary, G Masbott (Bristot Rovers), M Frocks' (Hoffingham Forms), T. Calice Ollen City, N Reid (Man City), A Peake (Lelowster), A A Richie (Brighter), M Hebitey (Coversity), G Bennstor (Shelf Wed), P Devis (Aroens), Subst M Smith (Shelf Wed), G Thompson (Covertry), V Histor (Coyatti Palace), C

Talks between Rochdale Horners and Rochdale FC about possible ground sharing have been abandoned without a decision. Both clubs are in a dire financial position, and ground sharing was seen as an answer to the problem. However, and the problem of the problem of the problem of the problem of the problem.

the problem. However, no the problem. However, no agreement has yet been reached on the football club using the Hornets' grounds, and Hornets will not consider moving to

Mick Burke, the Widnes fullback who has been troubled for two months with a back

marker for mispronouncing her name. Miss Smith once asked for a let and then said: "Good shot" and both players worked themselves up into such a state that it was almost impossible for them to play properly.

Mrs Cardwell is currently the state of the

banned for playing for Australia, and Miss Smith was once left out of a British tour of Australia

Yorkshire ban stays

Yorkshire Cricket Club mem

Yorkshire Cricket Club members have voted overwhelmingly in favour of the policy of using only players born in the county. The failure to win any of the four chief competitions since the 1960s led to a referendum among members, who were asked: "Do you wish to change the present policy of playing only Yorkshire-born cricketers?" Of the 5,032 total votes cast, 4,493 answered "No", 137 "Yes" and there were two abstentions. No less than 241 voters threatened to resign their

voters threatened to resign their

Bloomsbury, London, on Monday night when he stopped Irish flyweight champion Jimmy Car-son, of Belfast, in three rounds. Wallace's four fights to date have totalled less than ten rounds and again he looked the best recruit

rears. Carson came to fight but was comprehensively beaten, making his first mistake when he tried to outbox Wallace and found

By Sydney Friskin

HOCKEY

for repeat

England and Ireland, after winning both their matches at sunny Amerystwyth yesterday, will meet today to decide the

will meet today to decide the home counties schoolboys championships in the under-19 category. The same two teams came through last year in London where England won.

But yesterday's play was dominated by England, who are concludible Bergie Cotton.

coached by Bernie Cotton, a former England and Great Britain captain. They scored a total of 16 goals in two matches, beating Scotland 11-2 in the morning and Wales 5-1 in the afternoon

afternoon. Ireland, who arrived here at

4am yesterday, because of engine trouble on the ferry, beat Wales 3-0 and later tore into a crumbling Scottish defence to

Technically England were the best of the four sides but it looked as if they had run into a spot of trouble against Wales, who began the afternoon match in great style with Palmer hitting a post and going almost as near with his next shot. But England soon exposed the limitations of the Welsh defence and led 2-1 at half-time, with Beechener and Soma Singh from a penalty stroke scoring for England and Sullivan for Wales, England having led 2-0.

After the interval there was only one team in the picture and England increased their lead through Rothwell from a penalty

stroke, Skinner and Swayne from

Horton, Empey and McDowell scored for Ireland against Wales. They dominated the second-half of their match against Scotland, their scorers being Megaw, McDowell, Smyrl, Malcolmson (2) and Boyce, who also plays for Ireland at Rugby at schoolboy level.

Wallace lifts his sights

England bid | Victory to

Keith Wallace, of Liverpool, himself manoeuvred onto some who has just four professional ferocious left hooks in the first fights behind him, would like to round. He landed a handsome fight Charlie Magri in his fifth right-band punch or two in the But there is no chance of it. second round, but was then cut down by Wallace's pure class and fierce two-handed hitting. happening.
Supporters of Wallace, who, like Magri, won two ABA flyweight titles and boxed for Britain in the Olympic Games, claim that he is ready for a crack at Magri's European crown. The red-haired 21-year-old gave them fresh cause for delight at Bloomsbury, London, ou Mouday night when he stouned Irish

Wallace never missed an opening. He floored the Irishman for a count of eight in round three, this time with a right to show his versatility, and the fight was stopped one second from the end of the round.

The two are not likely to meet until Wallace is given an official nomination to challenge for the European title.

EQUESTRIANISM

course but Captain and Mrs Bill Peek, who inaugurated this event some 12 years ago and have organized it ever since, have had to abandon

two meetings in recent years due to the wet weather. On Monday night the rain pelted

down for some eight hours,

down for some eight hours, but the programme was not curtailed and it finished remarkably well to time.

Midiand Bank Open Informediate Class: 1, R Bowes's Sea Creature (Miss J Honey), 58; 2, Miss M Thomson's Humphrey, 68; 3, Team Wadhem Stringer, Delphy Dazze, 70, Howice Section 1: 1, Miss L Machitosh's Spring Satton, 48; 2, Miss J Roper's Laverock, 51. Section 8: 1, D Balker's Duraster (42); 2, Miss J Roper's Laverock, 51. Section 8: 1, D Balker's Duraster (42); 2, Miss P Parker's Guilever, 48; 3, Miss H Hamison's Zonner, 48, Section 8: 1, East Light Limited's Ben Brady (Miss C Lewis), 38; 2, Lanz Holeis Limited's Sostangle (Miss R Hamison's Zonner, 48, Section 8: 1, East Light Limited's Ben Brady (Miss C Lewis), 38; 2, Lanz Holeis Limited's Sostangle (Miss R Hamison's Zonn (Miss P Masti), 84.

Honey

Conteh injury: John Conteh's hopes of a comeback have been dashed. The 30-year-old former world light-heavyweight champion went to a private clinic recently and tests found an injury at the base of his skull.

squad By Iain Mackenzie If Scotland play as well in Australia this summer as they did

Renwick

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Australia this sum they will have a triumphant tour, said the Scottish Rugby Union's chairman of selectors, Glasgow Academy schoolmaster lan MacGregor, at Murrayfield yes-terday when details of the tour rere announced. He was careful to add a

warning about undue optimis warning about undue optimism, however. "This season we played six internationals and lost only six internationals and lost only six internationals and lost only six internationals." six internationals and lost only one, but it is a different ball game on the other side of the world," he cautioned. "We did well in Wales and won by playing almost perfect rugby; but while it would be wonderful to see Scotland turn on that form every time.

The squad of the players, to de-led once again by Andy Irvine, is firmly based on that which won-five of the eight games played during last summer's tour of New Zealand and then stayed together this season. A notable absentee is Jim Renwick; the Hawick centre is unavailable for personal reasons and his absence will be a relief to the Australians.

A novelty is the inclusion of the Stewart's solid as Melville FP back row twins, Jim and Finlay Calder. Jim is a regular member of the Scottish XV but Finlay has of the Scottish XV but Finlay has still to be capped. Scottish Rugby Union President Fraser MacAl-lister said he believed this was the first time twins had been chosen for an international rugby tour party, although brothers have toured together in the past.

Another slightly unusual move has been made by the selectors. David Leslie of Gala is recovering from a broken leg, an injury sustained early in the National League match against Heriot's some weeks ago. He hopes to be fit in time for the tour and had been included in the party; but so

Another slightly unusual move

Barbarians place for Barnes

Rugby Correspondent But for their involvement in

But for their involvement in cup rugby next weekend, Jean-Pierre Rives, Robert Paparemborde and Jean-Luc Joinel would be touring Wales with the Barbarian party this Easter. However, the touring side still maintains a goodly French flavour with the selection of Philippe Dimrans, hooker, Christian Belascain, centre or wing, and Bernard Vivies, stand-off half.

half.

For their traditional programme of games against Penarth (Good Fridsy), Cardiff (Samrday), Swanses (Monday) and Newport (Tuesday) the Barbarians selected 35 players some of whom are clearly destined to play in one or two fixtures at the most. The choice of four hookers sounds like carrying insurance a bit far, but it is not as yet certain that

get to the post.

One of the backs is Stuart
Barnes; the Oxford University
and Newport stand-off, who has
been a member of the Weish
senior squad but has now opted
to play for England Under-23
against English Students at
Sheffield next Wednesday. No
doubt he would fancy a game at
full back, which he regards as his
best position. One of the
forwards is Paul Simpson, an up
and coming flanker



RUGBY UNION

Leslie: will tour if leg heals in time

has his fellow Border Hanker Eric Paxton (Kelso). Paxton, who replaced Leslie in the team beaten in Dublin only to be made the scapegoat, will be omitted if Leslie is fully fn.

Jim Telfer, the coach and assistant tour manager (Ian MacGregor will be in charge) was very firm on the question of fitness. "Leslie will go through rigourous medical examinations and fitness tests a per month" he and fitness tests next month." he and inness tests next month, he said, "and if there is the slightest doubt be will stay at home."

Weekend squad sessions will start at Murrayfield immediately after the season ends on May and comine until a final session for forwards only, on May 25. The party will leave Edinburgh on June 3 and return on July 12.

THE PARTY: P W Dods (Gala), A R Inine (Heriot's FP, capt): G R T Bard (Kelso), J A Pollock (Gosforth): R J Gordon (London Scottish), D I Johnston (Watsonisms), K W Robertson (Melrose), C J Williamson (West of Scotland); B M Gassman (West of Scotland), J Y Rutherford (Selkirk); I G Hunter (Selkirk); R J Laidlaw (Jedforesit: J Ariken (Gala), G M McGalimenss (West of Scotland), I G Millie (Heriot's FP), N A Rowen (Boroughsmain); R Cumungham (Bath), C T Deans (Hawck), F Calder, J Calder (Stewart's/Melville), I A M Paxton (Selkirk), D B White (Gala), D G Leslie (Gala) or R E Paxton (Kelso), W Cutherberison (Kilmarnock), I D McKie (Sale), A J Tomes (Hawck).

A match to honour Beaumont

Lancashire in their centenary

Lancashire in their centenary season will play an international XV, including 12 British Lions, at Fyide on Sunday, April 18, to mark the enforced retirement from the game of Bill Beautont and the immense service he has given to it over the past decade. A sponsorship from Diners' Club International will cover all costs. International will cover all costs of staging the event, which it is hoped will raise £10,000 for charities of Beaumont's choice. These include the RFU charitable trust, which assists injured players, and the Southport spinal

players, and the Southport spinal action group

The Irish pair, Oilie Campbell and Roybbie McGrath, will be at half back in the international XV, with an England three-quarterr line and Dusty Hare behind them. The capmain, Fergus Slattery, is one of three Irishmen in a pack including four Welshmen and the England hooker, Peter Wheeler.

Lancashire will be at full strength save for the absence of the injured Mike Slemen and Phil Moss. However, Nick Spayen, of the injured Mike Slemen and Phil Moss. However, Nick Spayen, of the injured Mike Slemen and Phil Moss. However, Nick Spayen, of the injured Mike Slemen and Phil Moss. However, Nick Spayen, of the injured Mike Slemen and Phil Moss. However, Nick Spayen, of the injured Mike Slemen and Phil Moss. However, Nick Spayen, of the main the same and the sa

Moss. However, Nick Spaven, of Sale, who played at full back for the North against the Austra-lians, is an exciting, strong-run-ning wing.

Richard Tuckwood, the Mose-ley Lock forward who was sent off against Richmond on March 20, has had a week added to his

GOLF

Masters greens may be like lightning

From John Hopkins, Augusta, Georgia, April 6

Jayne Honey and The Preacher defied the holding ground to put up the fastest cross-country round and win the open/intermediate class at Ermington Horse Trials yesterday. Mary Thomson finished second on Humphrey and Clarissa Strachan, who won an advance class at Downlands two weeks ago and was second in the other, took third placing with her six-year-old, Delphy Dazzle.

The Preacher is an eight-year-old by Wily Trout. He gave a tremendous performance on an undulating course

All of the novice sections were won by the horse with the fastest time across country. Captain From the tops of the tallest pines to the boxes of matches that are laid on every table in the Augusta National Golf Club the predominant colour at the Masters torunament is green. Even the handles of the umbrellas are green. But today there was almost as much blue around as the temperature stuck at 50°F, and a cutting wind rattled the magnolias and caused the players to wrap up well and blow into their hands as often as they might on a spring day at they might on a spring day at Troon, for example. time across country. Captain Martin Whitely, chairman of the selectors, remarked that he only saw about three horses all day, from an enry of 146, who did not look like potential international horses.

won by the horse with the fastest time across country. Captain Martin Whitely, chairman of the selectors, remarked that he only saw about three horses all day, from an enry of 146, who did not look like potential international horses.

The majority of entries are of course by premium stallions of the Hunters' Improvement Society. The late Lord Mildmay's estate at Flete is renowned for its course but Captain and Mrs Bill Peek, who inaugurated What will not be so different

this year is the state of the greens. In 1980 the notorious and often sloping greens were reseeded with bent grass, and last year they were fast. This year the signs are they are going to be like lightning.

Johnny Miller was mortified in practice when a pitch of his landed near the back of the green, some 100ft from the flag. If the wind continues and there is no more rain the greens could get so dry and crackly that to walk on them could be, as one competitor remarked years ago, "like walking on cellophane paper". Significantly, Watson spent some time today practising four to six-foot putts, which here can break as much as 18in.



A windswept Arnold Palmer, trailing hordes of supporters, arrived just as Tom Kite (one of this year's most consistent golfers), Langer and Jim Simons were driving into the neeth of the wind on the first hole. Langer's putting has been frightful and he had two new putters with him as he changed into his golf shoes.

 A record £160,000 will be at stake on Scotland's circuit this season, an increase of E37,000 over last year. The biggest boom is in one-day pro-am events; the region secretary, Sandy Jones, said: "This particular section ofthe prize fund has risen from £67,000 to £102,000". PRINCIPAL TOURNIAMENTS: May Northern open, Cruden Bay (210,000); 2-4: Skill tournement, Covejlen (211 Scotlas) PGA championarip, Da

Wimbledon unlikely to give Borg a bye By Rex Bellamy, Tennis Correspondent,

Monte Carlo, April 6

the merger between the fun of five months off from competition his and the farce of its politics of any kind.

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Lendl inci

Monte Carlo tournament. e administrators — notably se concerned with negotiating price the Grand Prix carcuit

Lendl incidentally is undecided about playing Wimbledon. He said he was after the French champio ships. The two championship may pay to ensure sympathetic aputrality of the Association of Tennis Professionals — emerged from hours of verbal crossine with their sense of himour unimpaired. They knew that in their that way they were playing were too close together, he claimed (there is only a fortnight's break) and he added that many players were uneasy about the way Wimbledon treated them and also felt that the facilities for practice

their own way, they were playing a game, and were confident that an honourable draw could be "Enjoying the tennis?" asked Adriano Panana. He and Borg As for the wexed question of theirher or not Bjorn Borg will have to qualify for Wimbledon (assuming he enters) today's system centred around Air Chief Marshal Sir Brian Burnett, their wimbledon committee. He talked to the Grand Prix organizers, he talked to Borg, and he listened. The Wimbledon committee will discuss his findings on April 15. were having a day off, but the centre court programms featured three of the five leading men in the world rankings: Lendl, Vilas and Jose Luis Clerc, and the draw and Jose Line Clerc, and the drawsuggests that Vilas and Clerc are
heading for a sporting microcosm of an Argentine civil war.
Clerc saved five set points in
coming back from 1-5 down in
his second set with Gianni
Octeppo, who did not even get his
racket to Clerc's last two
services. R seems reasonable to assume that Wimbledon will tell Borg he

On the second show court Peter McNamara, champion of Germany, was beaten by a German, Peter Elter. The transition from indoor play to shale bes to qualify, that 1957 fuss about open competition may have exhausted Wimbledon's stock of rebellious initiatives. pivan Lendl had other views, between After he had won 7-6, 6-2 against the dark and sturdy Pedro Rebolkedo of Chile, who flicks his cacket over the ball with wristy—and risky—top spin on both flanks, Lendl proffered his opinion on the Borg debate. He said that Borg was old enough to make up his own mind and good to make up his own mind and good to be said that Borg was old enough to make up his own mind and good to be said that Borg was old enough to On the same court life Nastase conjuned up much of his old magic before Balazs Taroczy nailed him, while Kevin Curran and Stave Denton savel three match points before bearing Shlomo Glickstein and Steve Krulevitz in the doubles. Throughout all this, the sup-was shining and the view was inevitably superb. Yes, Adriano, We were enjoying the tennis.

said that Borg was old enough to make up his own mind and good enough to go straight into the main draw anywhere. People who told Borg what he should and should not do were acting like the parents of a five-near-old child, he left. Guillermo Vilas later made the same point: "We are not children." Vilas pointed out that the rules failed to distinguish between players who refused to play the requisite minimum of Grand Prix tournaments and someode like Borg, who had taken Nation of a International South Carolinal Moment a International South Korna) best 'V Made (SS), 48, 64, 62, if Letof (US) best 'V Podrenn (US), 6-1, 8-7; V Suddi Goossinal best K Lylbern (US), 6-3, 6-1; B Nagelson (US) best 'A Hobbs (SS), 6-3, 6-1; B Nagelson (US) best 'A Hobbs (SS), 6-1, 6-1; V General (SA) best 'M Privational (Vorgery), 7-5, 6-3; C Cobbs (MI) Privational (Vorgery), 7-5, 6-3; C

For the first time in years

new and eminently worthwide age group tournaments.

It was because there is nowhere near the AH England. Chip that the players yesterday drew up a petition saling for the reinstatement of the lencheon

Sara is walking tall

By Lewine Mair

The a day when April showers for the rain to cease, was of the caused havor with the second high price of food. Thirty-five day's programme at the junior pence for a Coco Cola; 30p for a hardcourt championship, spon, still orange, and £1.07 for coffee street by Prudential at Wimble, and a round of cheese sand-day, one of the foot process. saired by Prudential at Wimbledga, one of the vost positive performances came from the tall and talented Sara Gomer, who detested Christine Gilbert of Hampshire, 60, 6-1.

Comfortably over the Reet, Miss Comer has often in the past ladded mote than a little self-conscious about the court. Over the past few months, however, so has become very much more capitalent and in what gould have been an awkward match against a premising compethor several

spin an awkward match against a primorsing compethor: several years her funior, she showed in him in the way of self doubt. Her services were eften breath-thingly hard and her; volleying particularly impressive.

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FOR THE RECORD

RACKETS

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MONDAY'S RESULTS

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RACING: LONG-DISTANCE HURDLING AT ASCOT/CLASSIC TRIALS AT MAISONS-LAFFITTE/ TRAINERS SERIES CONTINUED Gaye Chance can step up again

By Michael Phillips Racing Correspondent Amid the general emphoria which surrounded that Grand National as a whole and Dick Saunders's achievements for Grittar in particular, insufficient cradit was successful.

Grittar in particular, insufficient credit was given to another man who made an important contribution during the dimenday meeting. I refer to Fulke Walwyn.

After the National Hunt. festival had finished at Cheltenham, Michael Dickinson was praised, and rightly so, for taking just four horses there and returning home with three victories and a second.

Worcester doubt Heavy rain has endangered today's National Hunt meeting at Worcester. Hugo Berm, the clerk of the course, said. There has been continuous rain today and more is forecast overnight. Any more heavy falls, would, pat the meeting in congurary. The going is soft. There will be an inspection at 7,30 this morning.

Walwyn's record at Aintree
last week was equally landable. He took five runners north from his home in Upper Lambourn and had here winners, a thind and a fourth. There could be no greater proof than that of his lastang skill which has enriched National which has enriched National last more than 40 years.

Another fine example is the

Gaye Chance; may benefit from a return to longer distances. improvement that he has wrought in Crimson Embers this season. Following successive victories over three miles at Ascot in February, Walwyn took Crimson Embers to Cheltenham last month and won the Waterford Crystal Stayers Hurdle.

reason why he should not do so A far greater danger surely is Gaye Chance, who finished fifth in the Champion Hurdle itself, indeed there are grounds for thinking that he will reap the benefit from a return to longer distances. Gaye Chance has won over two and a half miles and three miles in his time, so he will not be bothered in the slightest

O'Gorman puts his faith in Susarma

reassess him after his victory in the Imperial Cup.

Now I cannot help wondering whether even he will manage to give 15lb to Path of Peace, whose strong late flourish landed him the County Handicap Hurdle on the last day of Cheltenham.

Venture to Cognac, a blatant disappointment in the Gold Cup, in which he could finish only seventh, has a chance to atone in the Peregine Handicap Steeplechase, in which he will be riddenfor the first time by John Francome, simply because his regular ally, Oliver Sherwood, is currently on the sidelines recovering from a broken collar-bone. Bill O'Gorman has started 1982 Marshal Stakes at Haydock, but finished second on the other four on a high note, having saddled is being kept in reserve to serve occasions.

Hobbs has also started the bone.

Francome also has a good chance of winning the Hen Harrier Novices Hurdle on Young Kusky, who impressed me as a budding jumper when I saw him run in his first hurdle race

him run in his first hurdle race in this country at Kempton at the beginning of February. In the meantime he has won easily at Huntingdon:

Lavengro (2.0) could be a third winner for Fred Winter at Ascot this afternoon. Winter can only have been delighted with the way that he put Roadhead and Bachelot's Hall to rout at Nottingham.

but the handicapper has had sufficient time in which to reassess him after his victory in

his classic colours to the mast

From Desmond Stoneham Paris, April 6

Francois Boutin was all smiles at Maisons-Laffine this after-noon, after two of his stable proved themselves serious candi-dates for the early English

Freddic Head sat motionless on remain hear an mountees on Zino, who made most of the running and took the Prix Djebel by an effortless six lengths. Gerald Oldham's colt will now, contest the 2,000 Guineas at Newmarket and is sure to stretch his rivale.

his rivals.

"Zino won the Djebel by six lengths — the same as Nureyev". Boutin said after the race. The unfortunate Nureyev, of course, went on to win the 2,000 Guineas only to be disqualified by the English stewards. Head, who will ride Zino at Newmarket, was also complimentary about the colt. "Zino felt pretty good today", he commented.

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Lester Piggott's remarks after dismounting from Play It Safe, who won the Prix Imprudence by three lengths, were even warmer: "I couldn't have asked for more". Boutin added: "She's not fully wound up and still in her winter coat".

Play It Safe led from start to finish and hardly exerted herself to beat Balance and Albala. Piggott could be on board this one in the 1,000 Guineas, but that will depend on whether he is claimed by Henry Cecil.

In Piggott's absence, the 20-

claimed by Henry Cecil.

In Piggott's absence, the 20year-old crack American, Cash
Assmusen, could take the ride,
Assmusen has now apparently
signed a contract with Stavros
Niarchos, the Greek shipping,
magnate, so he could pick up the
spare Boutin rides, Niarchos's
best filly, River Lady, was ridden
at work by Piegott at Chantilly at work by Piggott at Chantilly this morning. She will ron in the Prix de la Grotte and the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches, French 1,000 Guiness.

I Pollardstown, beaten half a length by Daring Run in Sanurday's Sun Templegate Hurdle at Liverpool, joins Broadsword, who fell at the last, in the line-up for the Welsh Champion Hurdle at Chepstow on Easter Monday.

Boutin nails Seeking another Shergar

Michael Stoute is one of our most successful trainers. At the age of 35 he had he most successful season of his career in 1981, saddling 97 winners and winning just under £870,000 in prize money at home and abroad. The champion trainer's chief The champion trainer's chief standard bearer was Shergar, whose five victories as a three-year-old for the Aga Khan included triumph in the Irish and Epsom Derbies and the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes.

Marwell and Hard Fought were the other main contributers to

the other main contributers to this total. That tough little filly Marwell carried Edmund Loder's colours to five victories. She won three Group One races and paid a tribute both to her own toughness of constitution and to her rainer's skill when beating Sharpo in the Prix de l'Abbaye in October at the end of a long and hery cargon.

he is hoping there will be no mistake with Circus Ring.

Owned and bred by Snailwell Stud, Cirrus Ring was unbeaten on her three appearances as a two-year-old. And the style of her victory in the Princess Margaret Stakes at Ascot on Diamond Day to the style of the style Stakes at Ascot on Diamond Day left watchers in no doubt about her exceptional merit as she sprinted 10 lengths clear of her rivals in the last furlong. Circus Ring's, final win came in the Lowther Stakes at York in August. She was lame in September, having trouble with her knees and was unable to meet her engagement in the Cheveley Park Stakes.

Consequently Circus Ring was

Consequently Circus Ring was confined to her stable for most of



Stoute: toast of '81

the winter. "She responded well to treatment and am very pleased with her", said the trainer yesterday. The filly has been cantering since the beginning of February and has now been in fast work for just under a fortnight.

a fortnight.

Circus Ring's first appearance
of the season will be in the big
race itself at Newmarket on April
29. The trainer has two other
useful fillies in Top Hope and
Vaigly Star. Top Hope quickened
in good style when meeting Last
Feather in the Rockfell Stakes at
Newmarket in October However. Newmarket in October, However, Bob Cowell's High Top filly has been slow to come to hand and will not be seen in action until

May.

Either the Fred Darling Stakes at Newbury or the Neil Gwyn Stakes at Newmarker will be the first target for Vaigly Great's half sister, Vaigly Star. This filly has wintered exceptionally well, but despite the fact that she is sired by Star Appeal there must be a doubt whether she will stay a mile. Time alone will tell.

Like most top trainers Stoute

is a realist. And judged on what they accomplished last season his three-year-old colts need to three-year-old colts need to improve if they are to reach classic standards. The best on public form is Wattlefield, who finished a close third to Cajun in the Middle Park Stakes. Wattlefield will take on Norwich, Simply Great and Silver Hawk in the Craven Stakes at Newmarket

the Craven Stakes at Newmarket next week.

Noble Gift is a good looking colt by Vaigly Noble. He was only narrowly beaten by the subsequent William Hill Futurity Stakes winner Count Pahlen at Newmarket and also finished runner-up to Ivanof in the Houghton Stakes. Noble Gift goes for a maiden race at Newbury before his future programme is decided. Three other maidens to follow are Electric, Bali Dancer and Toujours Vert.

Steute has only eight older

Steuce has only eight older horses, including The Quiet Bidder, who won the Cork and Orrey Stakes at Royal Ascot last Orrey Stakes at Royal Ascot last season when trained by Reg Hollinshead Centurion is still in training. Grundy's full brother was rather disappointing last season after winning the Blue Riband Trial Stakes at Epsom. However the four-year-old looks in robust condition.

In rodust condition

It is early days to be talking about two-year-olds, but on paper Stoute has a powerful team. The most expensive is Shareef Dancer, who cost Maktoum 3.3m dollars as a yearling at Keenland. The trainer says that he is pleased with the way that two-year-olds have been shaping. Henry's Secret, Widaad and Big Again are three names to be watching out for in the not too distant future.

distant future.

Michael Seely

Carson and Aintree singing in the rain

Only 437 paying customers braved the steady rain at Nortingham vesterday, but followers of Willie Carson had a sunny day. Carson replied to Steve Cauthen's treble on Monday with an 84-1 double on Graphics Solar and Come On The Blues. The latter may now run in the Tote European Free Handicap at Newmarket next Wednesday.

The "Save' The Grand National" fund benefitted by

Denys Smith was top of the form with the undergraduates from Newcastle University when he saddled his first winner of the season yesterday at the Scottish course, the aptly named Student Venture. The winner, who runs in Smith's colours, is owned jointly with 11 undergraduates and cost a mere 600 guineas as a

POINT-TO-POINT

Heythrop is

at the last

By Ian Reid

short odds yesterday in four-mile Men's Open, the first of the season's "clashes". But it might

have been a different story if The Spud Centre, who had led from the start, had not unseated Kelvin Mizon at the last fence. It

keivin Mixon at the jast fence, it would have been a very close thing indeed. Athenmore Less was 20 lengths second.
The Ladies' Open race for the Lyon Trophy produced a new star in Lefrak City, a five-year-old who fought a long duel with

old who fought a long duel with Assured over the last mile. The horse's speed from the last fence

Last Saturday, just after

Last Saturday, just after Caroline Saunders, riding Robin Weaving's Rugy, had beaten Jenny Pidgeon on the odds-on French Peacock in the early Grafton Adjacent, I said to her: "Perhaps that's a good omen for your father." She replied with a smile: "I hope so."

Miss Saunders rode Grittar to victory twice in the Hunter Chase

Miss Saunders rode Grittar to victory twice in the Hunter Chase named after James Seely at Southwell — the first time on April 3 1980, two years to the day before Saturday's big race. Television sets have been installed on the course at Newton Brownwold, and as Grittar cruised home the cheers must

cruised home the cheers must have been heard in Northampton. Four of the nine races were won by horses from Bunny Tarry's stable. Richard Russell had his first winning double on two of them, both of which he owns — Shifting Gold in the Members', and the rapidly improving Crozanna in the first Restricted. The other two were

Restricted. The other two were ridden by James Tarry, who is having an excellent season.

Sir Bryn produced spectacular acceleration to win the Man's Open in the fastest time of the

day, but Coming Over only got up in the last stride to head That Faction in the first Maiden.

Results
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Grafton: Hunt: Shifting Gold; Adj I: Healy Retreat; Adj II: Rusy, O I. Grazama. O II: Highgate Lady: LO: Sporran Lad; O: Sir Bryn; Midn II: Bay Beil. Lettingow and Shiftingshire: Hunt: Birmy Craig, Adj; Blusgelfo; LO: Kinklo; O: Virny Ridge; RO: Betsy Crocker; Midn: Red Garnet Monmouthshire: Hunt: Magic Rock; Adj; Lintan; O: Derapsey; LO: Lady Pon; RO: Soot.

Spot.

North Comwell: Hunt: Jo's Flamenco; O: Berarden; LO Hargan; Adj: Rebet Day; Mdn: Mergan East.

North Ledbury: Hunt: Hay Merchant; Adj I: Extra Fine; Adj II. Talapirit; O: Borden Mark, Rol: Romardal; RO II. Butberthy Lifty; LO: Nouverties Mark C Person; John E Latter Trouble.

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Fixtures

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Spartan Scot duly landed the

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marshal Stakes at Haydock, but is being kept in reserve to serve on a high note, having saddled in the Brocklesby Stakes at Doncaster, Michael Seely writes. This Weish Saint coft is the early months of the season and will have his next outing at Newmarker's Craven meeting. That useful sprinter, Sayaaf, also showed himself to be in fine form when beating Great Eastern, at Doncaster. Sayaaf was to have the beat in the saint outing at Newmarker's Craven meeting. That useful sprinter, Sayaaf, also showed himself to be in fine form when beating Great Eastern, at Doncaster. Sayaaf was to have the Hobbs hat also started the season in sparkling form. His first three runners all won and lacquinta was only just beaten by Tawfing at Nottingham on Monday. This is an open race. Obviously both Lucky Hunter and Chellaston Park will both take some beating. Last season Lucky Hunter was only just both take some beating. Last season Lucky Hunter was only just beaten by Tawfing at Nottingham on Monday. This is an open race. Obviously both Lucky Hunter and Chellaston Park have the molity to win it. But I shall take a chance on the proven filmess of Susarma. The Middle Park Stakes. 'Chellaston Park was an admirably consistent filly for Bruce at Doncaster. Sayaaf was to have hobbs hat also started the season in sparkling form. His first three runners all won and Jacquinta was only just beaten by Tawfing at Nottingham on Monday. This is an open race. Obviously both Lucky Hunter and Chellaston Park have the ability to win it. But I shall take a chance on the proven filmes of Susarma. Hobbs hat also started the season in sparkling form. His first three runners all won and Jacquinta was only just beaten by Tawfing at Nottingham on Bacquinta was only just beaten by Tawfing at Nottingham on Chellaston Park will both take some beating. Chellaston Park was an admirably consistent filly for Bruce and O'Gorman. "And Susarma has been working really well recently."

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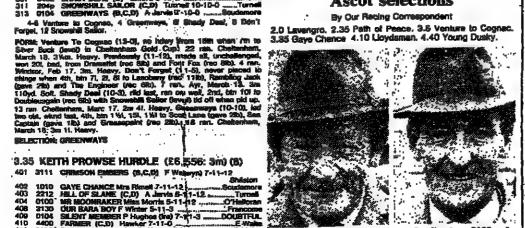
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Ascot selections



Fred Winter (left) and Josh Gifford: opposing trainers in the Peregrine Chase.

Haydock Park

Tote: double::3.15 and 4.45. Treble: 2:45. 3.45 and 4.45 2.15 MORNINGTON CANNON STAKES (2-y-o maiden filles: £1,584:



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WAD MONEY (A Humphraya) D Garmion 4-0-0
SOLDEN ALFAY (N Shaw) B Melkalon 4-5-13
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THERELING (G Rose) C Thoroton 6-8-7 (B m)
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SHAP TRI (MTS W Salfism) D Wilson 5-0-8
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3.45 FIELD MARSHAL STAKES (£3,629: 51) (5)

4.45 JOHNNY OSBORNE (3-y-o handicap: £2,460; 61) (8)

7-4 Negalis, 17-4 Hazim,-4 Video King, 5 Starlust, 8 Roman Quest, 10 others. 3.30 (3.35) HEADINGLEY STAKES (3-y-o: 22,496:50)

Hamilton Park

2.15 TILLIETUDLEM STAKES (2-y-o: selfing; £752: 5f) (2 runners)

2.45 DOLPHINTON STAKES (2-y-o maiden filles; £792; 5f) (5) 3.15 STRATHAVEN HANDICAP (3-y-o: £1,179: 50 (8)

3.45 HOUSTON HANDICAP (£1,646: 1m 40yds) (6) 3 34-005- CONPOSER (Mrs B Siremons) W Marshall 4-9-4 4 19000-0 CARRAGE WAY IR Reynolds) R Stubbs 6-8-12 000100-104000/ MELODY MOON (D Clarr) Denys Smith 7-7-10 10400-0 HELANDY (F Smith) Serry 5-7-10

4.15 ROBERTSON STAKES (3-y-o maidens; £669: 1m 40 yds) (8) ADJUSTED ONE F Report it Hobsen is, 2006.

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4.45 DOUGLAS WATER STAKES (Maidens: £707: 1m 5f) (11)

Hamilton Park selections

By Michael Seety
2.15 Red Sky Rose. 2.45 Dream Again. 3.15 Bonne Beiser. 3.45 Composer. 4.18
Lift High. 4.45 Selborne Record.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 2.15 Red Sky Rose. 3.15 Reg on Fire. 3.45 Composer, 4.15 Escape from Hell.

Haydock Park selections By Michael Seety 2.15 Sutty's Girl. 2.45 Rage Glen. 3.15 Rushmoon, 3.45 SUSARMA at specially recommended. 4.15 Ormolu. 4.45 Video King.

By Our Newmarkel Correspondent 2.15 Queen's Glory, 2.45 Minus Man, 3.15 Lateritaine, 3.45 Sueurma, Wippin Crust, 4.45 Video King.

Folkestone

2.0 (2.2) HOTHFIELD (2-y-o; £856; 50. PALACE BEAU ct. e, by Bragonera - Hattor 2 2 8 Rotes (7-27 1 Sweet Remark B. T Ives (2-1 fav) 2 Short Market B. B Raymond (6-1) 3 TOTE: Wis, 21g; places, 14p, 13p, 43p. Duel F: 33p, C3P £1.08. P Ashworth, at Epsom. 2 ht, 4l. Nashwane 4-1 4th. 10 ran.

2.30 (2.32) FAVERSHAM (Selling; 1736, 1m TOTE: Win 98p: places, 23p, 23p, 52p. bust P. E1.57. CSF: E2.88. TRICAST: E27.14. V Scene, at Newmarket. 4I, 2I. Tamerco (?G-1) 4th. 14 rm.

3.0 (3.2) WESTERNHANGER HOUSE HANDICAP (\$1,356; 1m 2f) AFRICAN PEARL b c by African Sky TOTE: Win, 38p; places, 14p 16p, 20p. Dual F: 22 43. CSF: 53.03, Tricest 513.71. R Suspens, at Epsons, Leonides (11-4 fav). 2, 2, 12 ran, Changes To Tell Win, 80p; places, 22p, 13p, 22p.
Dual F: 40p. CSF: 80p. J R Williams, at Newmarket, 4t, sh hd Worley Bird (25-1) 4th, 5 rm. NR: Lady Donard.
Arxn. NR: Lady Donard.
Arxn. NR: Carl Wort; £17,472.30 carried forward to Ascot. PLACEPOT: £27.60.

3.30 (3.33) WHATSTABLE HANDICAP (C1,343; 1m 7/ 100yd) NORTH WEST ch g by Weish Pageoni — Heather Grove 7-8-2 A Bond (9-1) 1 Duich Principle — P Bradwell (7-2) 2 Ten Pet — D McKay (11-4 fev) 3

TOTE: Wist, 82p, places 19p, 38p, 18p, 10p, 10p, bust F; 95.21. CSF £15.57. Tricast: E75.63. 6 Lands, at Epson. 2, 1%, Heathen Prince (5-1); tav) 4th, 17 ran.

Hamilton Park

\$ 45 (150) MIDDLEWARD HANDICAP Tote: Win, 25p. places, 10p, 52p, 74p. Dual F: £1.55. CSF: £6.39. Tricast: £65.23. W. Heigh, at Mollon nk, 15H. Darraig (B-2 law). Molt the Hoople (B-1) 4th, 15 ran. 4.15 (4.10) GAMPSE STANCES (2-y-o; maiden auction; £816; 50).

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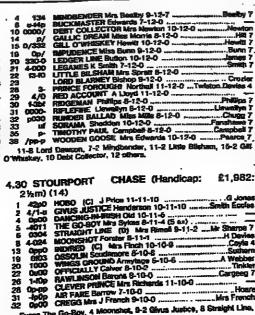
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TOTE: Win, 40p; places, 11p, 35p, 58p; Dual F: £2.42 CSF: £3.45. C British at Neumarket. Ns. 54. Custas (13-2) 4th. Swynterf a Passion not under starter's orders; rule 4 does not apply 16 ran. 4.0 (4 1): LORDS HANDICAP (3-y-6: 21,230: 50 Draguati.
TOTE: Win, 77p; places, 41p, 10p, 14p,
Dusi F: £1.27. CSF: £1.91. M Tompidna, at
Nowmarket. %i, 2. Parabones (100-30) 4th. 8 4.30 (4.31) OLO TRAFFORD STAKES (2-y-4 maiden Siles: £1,002: 50) TAI WORG WAH b 1 by Music Boy Resurgence (B Tang) 8-11 E Johnson

Sedgefield NH

2 15: 1, Big Paddy Joe (11-10); 2, Spring Mean (16-1); 3, Sherp Tor (12-1), 17 ren. NR: Flying Shottle. 2.45: 1, Torreon (7-4); 2, Rejuverator 3, Pretly Boy Floyd (10-1); 4, Witton 5 (50-1), 17 ran. NP: Demoree.

3 15: 1, Trisks (14-1): 2, Dussemberg (20-1): 3, Fasrless Seal (4-1): 4, Pincents (16-1).

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3.45: 7, Old Bean (4-1): 2, Bobette (7-1): 3, Risk (11-4).

At 15: 1, Chestic Oris (4-8 ipd): 2, Armsagnas Princess (7-0): 3, Fordington Valley (14-1): 9 ran. Nr: Royal Air and lever Valley.

4.45: 1, Spartan Daisy (6-1): 2, Armsagnas Princess (7-0): 3, Fordington Valley (14-1): 9 ran. Nr: Royal Air and lever Valley.

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4.15: 1, Mass WOOD (5-2 fav): 2 Spring Chemosillo (8-1): 3 Stackhawk Shar (11-4). ☐ The new-look Phoenix Park racecourse will reopen for the meeting scheduled on May 1.

Reconstruction and other un-

TOTE: Win, 78p; places, 22p, 11p, 16p. Dual F: £1,98, GSF: £4,12, Tricast £10,33, H Masson; at, Lewes, Mons, Boau (9-1) 4th, 3l, %l, 13 rat.

4.30 (4.35): CHILHAM STAKES (3YO MILES -- 2832; Im 4f). provement work is nearing completion and the new owners TOTE Win; 52p; places, 16p, 10p, 13p. Dual I: 30p. CSF: 35p. H Candy, at Wantage, Nt. 7l. Kriston (50-1) 4th, 8 ren. Hr plan to reintroduce steeplechas-ing and hurdles as well as flat

Going: soil 2.15 (2.17) AUCHINRAITH HANDICAP (£876) SALTHOUSE, b g by Blakeney — Griss Run (M Tabor) 5-9-5 N Vaughen (8-4 fev) 1 Missile Blas — M Fry (20-1) 2 Prince of Light. — D Carr 3 TOTE: Win, 15g; places, 10p, 84p, 40p bud F, 211.12, CSF: C3 45 Tricest 217 24. N Callaghan, at Newmarkel. 41, 4. Majorian 9-1 4th. 12 ran. 2.45(2.50) QUARRY HANDICAP (Selling £790; 1m 40yd) STAR ALLIANCE, b ! by Big Morion — And Windy (R Morna) 4-8-7 8 We TOTE: Win, £120; places, £1.11; 16p, 10p. Dual F: 35p (winner of second with any other horse): CSF £15. R Morre, at Westingool 10l, 3. Marchgate (11-2) 4th, Karyobings withdrawn, not under orders. Rule 4 applies. 8 ran. 3.15 (\$17) DECHMIONT STAKES (3-y-c makdans; £730; 60) BLUE EMBLANGELLE, b g by Lochnager — Julie. Be Quick (Rokhvele Ltd.) 9-0 G Tote: Win, 21p; places, 10p, 12p 18p. Dual : 28p. CSF: £1.17. N Caffaghan, at ewwarket. 5l, 6. Rocky Green (5-2 fav) 4th.

TOTE: Win, 52p. Dual F. 38p.CSF. \$1.46. J. W. Walts, et Richmond. 11, 4, Perplex (7-2) 48, 5 ran. PLACEFOT: £112.46.

Fixtures
Today: East Devon at Ottery St Mary (2-0).
Easter Saturday: Ashlord Valley at Charing
(2-0): Balckmore and Spanktord Valle at
Kingwatston (2-0): Hurstey Hambledon at
Tressediction (2-0): Landibby at Howick (2-0):
Morpeth at Transeol (2-0): North Staffordshire
at Sandon (2-0): Puckerldge and Thrubby at
Horseheath (2-0): Ross Harrises at Belevont
(1-30): Royal Artillery at Landihi (2-0):
Spooners and West Darmood at Kilworthy
(1-15): Valle of Aytesbury of Kimble (2-0): Valle
of Lune Harrise's at Wittingslom (2-0):
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Pytchley at Dingley (2-15): Zeifand at Caldwell
(2-0).

Easter Treeday: Crooms and West Warwickshire at Upton-on-Screen (2.0); High Pask and NE Checkins Staghounds at Flagg Moor (2.0); Pytchey at Gallaborough (2.0).

MODERN PENTATHLON

Hard roads

pentathletes

By Michael Coleman

It will be all "away" matches or Britain's senior modern

pentathletes this year in places like Rome, Germany, Paris, Budapest, Vienna and Uppsala. No overall sponsor has come forward, so a lot of travelling will

The one major home fixture is the world junior championships in London on August 24-28. This

ahead for

Britain's

sights set on the record Boycott took from Sobers at Christmas as

history.
"Enjoy it, Geoff, while you can," Gavaskar told the Yorkshi-

re÷man in a speech at a Delhi banquet. Gavaskar is some 1,400

runs short at the moment and no feat would bring greater joy to the hearts of the Indian nation

than for one of their countrymen to hold this particular record. Gabaskar will surely get there in

the next two years.

Gavaskar has also become as

shrewd a tactician as India have

ever had as a leader. At the same

time he has instilled in his players a belief in their own

qualities that has sometimes been absent from Indian sides in

Gavaskar and Viswanath, who

against England and now has his

No country's cricketers have tended to do less justice to their ability in English conditions over the years than those from India. Noting the quick eye and wrists of one touring side, and influenced no doubt by his association with Ranji, C. B. Fry once said Indians were the most natural cricketers in the world. The facts have not always confirmed Fry's view, and he was speaking, of course, before the emergence of West Indies as a power in the

Given, though, a fair deal from English weather and groundsmen, the Indians touring here in the first half of the summer under Gavaskar should prove capable of extending England fully. The 16 chosen make up a talented and mature team who will be brimful of confidence after outplaying England during the winter. For all its dull pattern it was still possible during the series for the dispassionate onlooker to recognize that India were the better side, certainly in

Gavaskar and Viswanath, who remains the most graceful of present-day Indian batsmen, will be making their fourth major tour of England, and Vengsarkar and Yashpai Sharma survive from the 1979 party. Vengsarkar, tall, angular, and probably Gavaskar's long-term heir as captain, finally found the confidence to go for his groces on the his occasion in their own country.

Several factors should help lodia fulfil their potential in England, even if their batting looks better equipped for the job than their bowling. Practically the extire team have experienced. found the confidence to go for his strokes on the big occasion in recent months. He played a crucial innings during the one-day series that India unexpectedly won in January and retained his new approach in the later Tests. Yashpal Sharma remains a hard man to remove in a crisis. the entire team have experienced English pitches before, either with visiting Test or schoolboy sides or in the leagues. They nave virtually no tail and helmets nave helped eradicate traditional Tests. Yashpal Sharma remains a hard man to remove in a crisis.

Of those coming who are less familiar to English crowds, Sandeep Patil could become the biggest favourite. Patil, an aggressive driver, hammered Lillee, Hogg and Pascoe for 174 in the second Test at Adelaide in 1980-81, three weeks after being felled by a bumper from Pascoe. He was a little unfortunate to lose his Test place against England as the series progressed

South Africa on India's chances of scoring runs this year be overlooked. Willis and Botham remain, and others, it is hoped, will emerge. But amid all the recent uproar, the effect that the absence of Hendrick, Old, Lever and Les Taylor might have on England's new-ball attack this year has escaped comment.

year nas escaped comment, Gavaskar's own skill remains the lynchpin of India's batting. After a lean phase, by his standards, he rediscovered his concentration appetite for runs



Kapil Dev, who should emphasize his improvement.

Patil's Test place went to Ashok Malhotra, a stocky but nimble right-hander, who makes strokes all round the wicket. He is 25 and has been in the firstclass game nine years but has scored consistently only for the past two seasons. Scores of 80 and 67 not out for North Zone at Jammu against England earned him his place in the Indian side. He was a little unfortunate to lose his Test place against England as the series progressed but played a crucial part with bat and ball when India cliniched the third and decisive limited-over international. Patil in form is the cert of harsman who can turn a

him his place in the Indian side.

The other batsmen in the Indian touring party are Pranob Roy, who opened with Gavaskar in the last two Tests against England, and the uncapped Ghulam Parkar. Roy is the son of Pankaj Roy, whose five ducks in the 1952 series, including four against Trueman, have left him an unhance and slightly distorted. an unhappy and slightly distorted place in the record books.

Pranob is by far the soundest of the younger school of Indiao opening batsmen and Gavaskar had a decisive say in his selection ahead of more freescoring rivals. Parkar, a small stylish stroke-maker, failed against England in a zonal match but is another promising opening batsman in his early twenties. He was as good a cover point or deep fieldsman as England met on

The other uncapped players chosen are Suru Nayak, an ali-rounder, and Randhir Singh, a rounder, and Randhir Singh, a medium pace bowler. Nayak, slight and wiry, bats left and bowls right-arm medium and is the sort of utility player every touring team ideally has. He performed well mera than once against England, not least when he earned his place in India's one-day team. Randhir Singh, tail and slim, failed to live up to hopes expressed before England arrived as India's new bowling prospect. At his best, though, he can move the ball briskly either way and might do well on English pitches.

The lack of a full-blooded, outand-out fast bowler to share the new ball with Kapil Dev remains the main weakness of Gavaskar's side. Kapil finished the winter

series looking stale and weary as a bowler, though his fiercely struck century in the sixth Test was a remarkable piece of cricket. Provided Kapil has regained his zest, he and Madan Lal—last here in 1975—should emphasize the improvement they emphasize the improvement that have made since thir previous visits to England, when both were fairly expensive. Madam. Lal's career went into eclipse for a time but in helpful conditions he occasionally moved the ball about awkwardly last winter and was usually ecomomical.

India's main strength lies with

their left-arm spinners, Doshi and Shastri. In 1980 Doshi took 100 wickets in his last full English season with Warwickshire and has become a genuinely with a left-arm howler with a shire and has become a genuinely subtle left-arm bowler with a good record on hard wickets overseas. Shastri, who has his twentieth birthday in May, bowls with less variation but is improving all the time. Shivial Yadav's looping flight and sharper turn brought him the off-spinner's place ahead of several close rivals.

Kirmani is the only specialist

Kirmani is the only specialist wicketkeeper chosen and would possibly win a current poll among cricketers as the third best in the world after Knott and Taylor. With his shaven head—following a pilgrimage to Mecca—and a lively sense of tun, kirmani could prove one of the properties in the state of the sense of t perform with credit.

HEDIAN TEAM: Sunii Gewasicer (captain), Gundappa Viswanath (vice-captain), Pranob Roy, Ghulam Parkar, Dilip Vengsarkar, Yashpai Sharma, Ashok Malhotra, Bandeep Patii, Kepii Dev, Madan Lai, Raff Shastri, Sure Nayak, Syed Kirmani (wicketkepei?), Dilip Doehi, Shivisi Yadav, Randhir Singti,

Derbyshire loss An increase of over a third in

Selectors look past Brew's losing habit

pionships at Numeaton an Sunday Name, Wigan), Frank August were more important than the Beckenham), Richard Williams disqualifications which followed. [Fleefwood], Freda Ross (Berlerwed demolished his own Ey), Anabelle Cripps (Coventry), British short-course record by Catherine White (South Tyneside), Debbie Caldwell (Williams 200 metres individual medley, but Wasps), Caroline Cooper (Burnet was then disqualified for dopping Copthall), and Lorraine Burt his head under at the turn from the breaststroke leg. The title went instead to Stephen Forrest, of Manchester, whose time in finishing second also bettered the record set by Brew in Paris in February. There was a second disqualification in similar circumstances for Brew after he finished third in the 200 metres breaststroke in what would have

will be a complex exercise, which will call for a massive tightening of belts by all in the Modern Penathlon Association. With up to 20 community the community to 20 countries threatening to come, the already overstretched Crystal Palace sports centre will not be able to hide its defects. not be able to hide its defects.

But this is for the jumors. For the rest, it will be a season spent living out of suitcases. Two groups have been formed, an Olympics squad (Michael Mumford, Danny Nightingale, Richard Phelps, Philip Royston and Stephen Sowerby) and a national squad (Peter Whiteside, Tim Kenealy, Nigel Clark, Alan Burgham, Peter Tayler, Clive Matcham, Jason Lawrence and Robin May).

Robin May).

The toughest test for the Olympics squad will be on April 21-26 in Rome, the venue for the October world championships. October world championships. Nightingale, who was injured last year, will be under particular scrutiny. The man in form is Mumford, whose long posting in Berlin with the Royal Engineers is proving distictly beneficial, for all that it isolates him from his

It is not widely realized that Mumford has recently twice beaten the West German champion, Chistian Sandow, in contests there — with around 60 competing on each occasion. His total on March 21, for example, a huge 5,624 points, was against Sandow's 5,363.

Sandow's 5,363.
The German missed last year's world championships in Poland through injury, and may not be fully fit. But Rehbein, West Germany's new hope, who was second in the world junior title, was also a Mumford victim. Two days after Rome, our four top juniors (Phelps, Royston, Tayler and Matcham) will be at Bensheim, West Germany. It is

Tayler and Matcham) will be at Bensheim, West Germany. It is no secret that Phelps is the main hope for Los Angeles; the sport here badly needs anoher Olymnere bady needs anoner Olympics gold to attract sponsors, now the Montreal's glitter is only a memory Phelps, from Gloucester, will have the chance to show his mettle will compete at Compiegne, France.

While the juniors are at Bensheim a women's sourad

Bensheim, a women's squad Wendy Norman, Kathy Tayler (sister of Peter), Sarah Parker the world champion team, these three and Jan Challinor is the The goods news is that Miss

Purion, one of the country's fastest runners, prefers modern pentathion. The bad news is that Janet Savage, the national champion who announced her retirment after losing her Sports
Aid Foundation grant, is blossoming as an athlete. On March
14 she ran 2br 54min 09sec in the
British American marathon

breaststroke in what would have been a new Scornish record time. Andy Morton, the British team manager, said: "We picked Brew-because our chief coach, Terry because our chief coach, Terry Dennison is a breaststroke expert. The problem was only a technicality, and I am sure that between them they can get it right for Blackpool."

Liverpool swimmer Andrew Jameson joins his sister, Helen, in the team for his first full international. Olympic relay silver-medallist Helen, aged 19, is named for the 100 metres backstroke, in which she broke the English record at Nuneaton, and the 200 metres backstroke. Andrew, a year younger and also training at Kelly College, near Tavistock, earned selection with two outstanding perform ances at the short-course cham-pionships, bearing off a cluster of Olympic and international swim-mers to win both the 100

Robin Brew has survived a backstroke and 100 metres disastrons day of disqualifications to gain selection to the British swimming team for the British swimming team for the international against Russia at Riackpool on April 17 and 18, Riackpool on April 17 and 18, 1960k.

international against Number 18, Chief Wilkinson in the early Blackpool on April 17 and 18, Chief Wilkinson in the early sponsored by Sun Life.

Brew, aged 19, an RAY in addition to Jameson and physical training corporal based forcest there are 11 new full at Cosford, has been included by the matter as the early the resulting to the team. They selectors who decided that the one Migel Coldsworthy (Swiss quality of his performances and onage), Stuart Harris (Manthe national short-course change thester), Nick Hodgson (Williams pionships at Numeaton an Sunday Mans, Wigan), Frank August were more important than the Beckenham), Richard Williams were more important than the Beckenham). Freda Ross (Bex-

Danger of sponsors vanishing

ATHLETICS

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By Richard Streeton

might be frightened away if athletics went fully open came yesterday when details of British Meat's 1982 financial aid to British track and field wave announced it will be the fifth successive year they have helped

stayed the same they expected to contribute to British athletics contribute to British athletics right up to the 1984 Olympic Games. In the forme, though, the sums required could be out of reach frishnetally, though they hoped this would not be the case. Mr Bill Evans, chairman of the British Amatein Athletic Board, was quick to reassure Mr Craddock that barely two per cent of athletes in this context would, the affected if the sport went open. He attessed the important help British Meat zave

A Welsh Games at Cwmbran on August 11 and 12, after which the Welsh squad for the Common-wealth Games in Brisbane next October, would be chose, is the main addition this season to the

Casting for trout on golden pond

be at Grafham Water on August specially bred and stocked to be

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This is one of several compe is concerned, those who enter thous of various kinds, admitting the most glossy in its because of the noise and promotion literature, by which disturbance, to catch fewer than the makers of cigarettes and bear they would have done if they had and fishing tackle are hoping to isshed on their own, increase their sales by exploiting. One effect is predictable, the developing reservoir troughthough their own, increase their sales by exploiting. One effect is predictable, the developing reservoir troughthough their own, increase their sales by exploiting they would have done if they had and fishing market. A few club prizestend quiet and enjoy the pleasures or a free fishing holiday for two of the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in Kenya and — bingot — in the country will certainly in the half season and come the applications.

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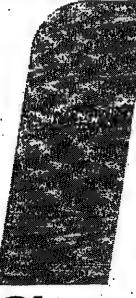
By Conrad Voss Bark

A golden salmon leaping from Lord's, so that the case for a golden fountain appears on the competition in catching trout on one against the gain of the other outside of the beautifully protected brochure that offers looking at more closely. No interest but not, of great thousands of pounds in prizes to doubt it. Is popular, for the the competitive urge is easily great national reservoir fishing aroused, especially when men championships of 1982.

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There have been suggestions to change completely the entire rating system in England and Wales (Scotland has a separate system.) One of the most popular

system.) One of the most popular has been to scrap the present structure and substitute a local sales tax — a method favored by a number of American cities and

states — or even a poli tax. In Britain many believe that a local tax would be difficult to raise, involving greater town hall bureacracy, and would hit those who could least afford to pay.

The Government is aware of the need to reform the rating system but, like its predecessors, is loath to rush into action. At the moment it is taking evidence from interested groups for its Green Paper, Alternatives to Domestic Rates.

has been made by the Rating and Valuation Association, which has misgivings about a local sales or income tax or a poll tax. Intead, it strongly supports proposals for reforming the existing domestic rating system.

One major suggestion the RVA is making is that rates, should be based on capital values rather than the present notional rental value of a property. It also suggests that an allowance for domestic rates should be made against national income tax.

The switch to capital values is

an interesting one. Several countries, including the USA, have already adopted this system. The level of rates you paid would be tied directly to the real value of your property. Councils would then have to fix the percentage rate at which the tax was levied.

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One obvious snag would be the some reform of the present assessment of individual propersystem. It is out of date and out ties' capital values and who of line with property values.

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Certainly there is a need for some reform of the present

would actually undertake such \square For the first time in virtually manager, Mr Stanley Walker, an assessment. The houses in a year the country's leading warns that the market is unone street might be broadly building societies are talking likely to improve immediately. about rising property prices. The latest bulletin from the Leeds Permanent predicts an increase of as much as 10 per cent during the current year. It says: "Although the private housing market is not yet buoyant the evidence suggests that a new confidence is returning While economic ups and downs

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likely to improve immediately. He says there is still a large pool of unsold houses, especially in the middle price range, which will have to be cleared before prices start rising substantially.
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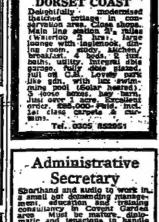
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3.55 Play School. For the under fives (shown

earlier on BBC 2).
4.20 Cartoon: Scooby Doo Where Are You? (r).

4.40 Take Hart. Tony Hart designs an heraldic

5.05 A Little Silver Trumpet. Episode two and Mrs Jessop is heartbroken after having the precious tin box containing Jim Ashburn's

6.45 Rolf Harris Cartoon Time. Four funnies; Tom and Jerry in Jerry and the Lion and Sleepy Time Possum; Foghorn Leghorn in Feather Bluster; and Bugs Bunny in Hare-

7.15 Film: Jesus Christ Superstar (1973) starring Ted Neeley, Carl Anderson and

9.00 News with John Humphrys.

9.25 Rough Justice. The first of a three-part. series concerning serious crimes and the persons sent to prison for them. A new look

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9.55 Sportsnight introduced by Harry Carpenter.

10.50 A Question of Guilt. Episode three in the -

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5.40 News with Michael Sullivan

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9.30 Cartoon: Barney Google and Snutfy Smith in the Country Club Smiths; 9.40 The World We Live In: The Weather Watchers; 10.05 The History
Makers The rise of Napoleon; 10.30 The Insect
Alternative: Pest control; 11.25 Paint Along with
Nancy (r); 11.56 The Bubbiles (r); 12.00 The
Munch Bunch: Adventures of animated Nancy (r): 11.55 The Bubbles (r): 12.00 The Munch Bunch: Adventures of animated vegetables; 12.10 Ratinbow; Learning with Puppets; 12.30 Movie Memories; Roy Hudd with some famous film stunts and stuntman Derek Ware; 1.00 News with Peter Sissons; 1.20 Thames news; 1.30 Crown
Court: Continuing the case against Arthur Holland,
accused of murdering his stepmother; 2.00 After
Noon Plus: "High tec" or natural childbirth? Kay
Avila chairs a discussion; 2.45 The Six Million Dollar Man: Steve has to compele with a rival blonic man (r); 3.45 Definition: Celebrity crossword dutz chaired by Don Moss. His guests are Carol Drinkwater and Leslie Crowther.

4.20 Animals in Action: Big is Beautifut, World concern about the declining number of whales has spurred a thirst for knowledge about the magnificent mammal, Keith Shackleton takes us round the world of the

4.45 Murphy's Mob:Drama series about a footbell Club. 5.15 Mr Merlin: A comedy about a wizard disguised as a garage manager. 5.45 News, 6.00 Themes news.

6.25 Help! Today is World Health Day and Viv Taylor Gee talks to Mary Stott about elderly people and the quality of their lives. 6.35 Crossroads: Doris Luke's childhood sweetheart turns up after forty years. 7.00 Where There's Life .. introduced by Mirlam Stoppard and Rob Buckman. The difference between medical treatments in the East and West.

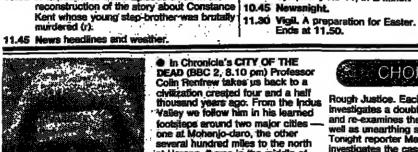
7.30 Coronation Street: Eddie Yeats produces some new wheels.

8.00 The Benny Hill Show: Comic sketches and songs from the master of the innuendo. Among his guests tonight are Henry McGee, Bob Todd, Jack Wright and Helen

9.00 Minder: The final programme of the series and Terry and Arthur are both in trouble with the police, Arthur agrees to sell a BMW car for Scotsman Frank MacFadyen but as soon as it is his car lot the police pounce and Arthur is helping the police in

their inquiries concerning drug smuggling. It's up to Terry to help prove his innocence 10.00 News. 10.30 Film: From a Far Country: Pope John Paul R (1981) starring Sam Neill, Lisa Harrow and Christopher Cazenove. A new film bout the rise of Karol Wojtyla from humble Polish beginnings to become the first non-italian pontiff for nearly five hundred years. The story is told by highlighting the events after World War Two that shaped his destiny. The director is Krzyszto! Zanussi.

Symphony No 44, in E minor. 12.40 One Man's Easter:Don Cupiti and Marghanita Laski talk about Holy Week.



 In Chronicle's CITY OF THE DEAD (BBC 2, 8.10 pm) Professor Colin Renfrew takes us back to a civilization created four and a half thousand years ago. From the Indus Valley we follow him in his learned leos eround two major cities : one at Mohenjo-daro, the other several hundred miles to the north at Harapa. It was in the middle of the last century when the discovery of an engaved seal stone gave the first clus to the existence of an not until 1922 was the area

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Rough Justice. Each programme estigates a doubtful conviction and re-examines the evidence as well as unearthing some new facts. Tonight reporter Martin Young investigates the case of Merryn Russell, a Deptford squatter sentenced to life for the murder of a 22-year old girl art student. Certainly the re-examined casts grave doubts and even those doubts disappear with the emergence of the new facts. Unfortunately, the prime suspect died before Russell's trial began. I only hope that Justice, the organisation that looks into doubitul Marshall was responsible for unearthing the world's third major river civilization after the Nile and convictions, can speedily win Russell a new trial. OF HAIR (BBC 1, 9.25 pm) is the first in a three-part series entitled

border with the South and called it Landscape with Bandits. For this she won a Pye Radio Award. Now she has turned her attention to Belfast and in particular the Divis Flats for a programme entitled TOWNSCAPE WITH BRITS (Radio 4, 8.45 pm). The Divis Flats harbour the extreme Republicans—from the IRA itself to the splinter group, the Irish National Liberation Army. All their movements are monitored by a closed circuit television network operated by the Army who have a camp on top of Divis Tower. The

CHANNEL As Thames except: Starts 12.00-12.10 Munch Bunch. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Trapper John, 5.20-5.45 Crossroads, 6.00 Channel Report. 6.30-7.00 Balley's Bird. 12.40 am Epilogue, Colsedown. SCOTTISH As Thames except: 9.30 Kiribati. 10.20 Land of Birds. 10.50 History of the Car. 11.15-12.00 Story Hour. 1.20 pm Neve. 2.45-3.45 Love Boot. 5.10 Travelers Tales. 5.20-5.45 Crossroeds. 6.00 Scotland Today, followed by Action Line. 6.30-7.00 Report. 12.40 am Late Call. 12.45 Crossroem. visiting the Flats just over six months ago after the collapse of the hunger strikes. She talks to the inhabitants—male, female and children—and the picture she paints is one of resigned despair. Brits Out, for sure, but if or when they go Last May Margaret Percy presented a portrait of the village of will it mean the end of violence?

Radio 4

6.00 News. 6.10 Farming Today. 6.30 Today. 8.33 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather and Travel. 9.00 News. 9.05 Midweek: Henry Kelly.† ers Question Time

10.30 Delty Service.
10.45 The Stranger. A reading for Holy Weck.
11.03 Baker's Dozen.
12.00 News.

12.00 News.
12.02 You and Yours.
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12.27 The Other Side of Säence (new series)† .A serial by Ted Alibeury in eight episodes.
12.55 Weather and Travel.
1.00 The World at One.
1.40 The Archers.
2.00 News.
2.02 Woman's Hour.
3.00 News and Travel.
3.02 Play† . "The Serang" by Vincent McInemey.
3.47 Time for Verse Charles Main. 3.47 Time for Verse. Charles Matz concludes his discussion on the

nature of poetry as sound. 4.00 News. 4.02 Sweet Spring. Dic Jones notes 4.10 A Lady's Life in the Rocky Mountains. The fascinating adventures of Isabella Bird as

5.00 News.5.55 Weather and Programme News. 6.00 News and Financial Report. 6.30 Frank Muir Goes Into . . .

7.20 A Good Night Out. Laurie Taylor participates in a Medieval Banquet.

BBC 1

magazines. 6.45-7.15 East — Changing Places. London and South East—Rolf Harris Catoon Time.

Norm—Cass, worm Last—The Yellow Programme. North West—Finding Out. South—Don't Fence Me In. South West—Country Scene, West—Breakthrough 82. 11.50 Close.

Me and My Town.

East—Rolf Harris Catoon Time. Midlends Today—Me and My Ti North—Class. North East—The

6.55 Weather.
7.00 News.
7.05 Your Midweek Choice, Record requests: Vaughan Williams, 8.00 News. 8.05 Your Midweek Choke (continued) Finzi, Brahms, Haydn. 9.00 News. 9.05 This Week's Composor: Chomis seconds + pin; records.†
10.00 Royai Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra. Concerl. Mendels-sohn, Tchalkovsky, Sibelius.† 11.45 Clarinet and Piano Recital; Hoddinott, Egon Wellesz, Howells.† 12.25 Ravel String Quartet recital.† ing House, Lonon: Boccherini, Brahms, Ben-Haim, Jean Coul-

7.45 Poetry at Bath.† Extracts from

8.15 Voices in Harmony† (new series). Marian Foster presents

8.45 Townscape with Brits. A radio portrait of the notorious Divis Flats in Belfast.
9.30 Kalerdoscope.

10.00 The World Torught

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except 6.25-6.30am Weather and Travel. 10.30-10-45 Listen with Mother. 1.55-2.00 Programme News. 5.50-555PM (continued). 11.00 Study on 4. 11.30-12.10 Open University.

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11.15 The Financial World Tonight.
11.30 Today in Parliament.
12.00 News and Weather.
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Radio 3

2.05 Music Weekly †
2.55 BBC Northern Symphony.
Orchestra Concert: Britten,
Mozart, Beathoven,†
4.00 Solemn Vespers of Wednesday
in Holy Week, from Westminster Cathedral.†
4.55 News.

4.55 News. 5.00 Mainly for Pleasure.† 7.00 The Row Over "La Ronde".
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8.00 Pritchard Conducts Britten and Mahler Concert direct from the Royal Festival Half, London. Part 1: Britten.† 8.35 Six Continents. 8.55 Concert Part 2: Mahler.†

10.00 Scientifically Speaking. Pro-fessor Semir Zeki of University College, London, talks to John Maddox about colour percep-Harpsichord Music Recital: Froberger, Louis Coupenn, d'Anglebert.† 10.30

VHF Only: 5.55am-6.55 and 11.20pm-1.00am Open University

Radio 2

5.00 Colin Berry, † 7.30 Ray Moore, † 10.00 Jimmy Young, † 12.00 Gloria Humnitor, † 2.00 Ed Stewart, † 4.00 David Hamilton, † 5.45 News and Sport, 6.00 John Dunn, 8.00 Alan Dell. Sport. 6.00 John Durn, 8.00 Alan Dell. 8.30 Among Your Souvenirs. † (new series) 9.15 Sempvini Seronade. † (new series) 10.00 You've Got to be Joking, 10.30 Hubert Gregg, (new series). 11.00 Shan Matthew † from Midnight. 1.00Ban Folk on 2. † leaturing Ralph Mctell, Shirley Collins, Julie Carter and Dan Ouinn. 2.00-5.00 You and the Night and the Music. †

s on as Radio 2, 7,00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Bave Lee Travis. 2.00 Paul Burnelt. 3.30 Steve Wright, 5.00 Peter Powell. 7.00 Growing Up in Northern Ireland, 8,00 David Jansen, 10,00 John Peel in

World Service

Liverpool, † 12.00 Close.

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REGIONAL TELEVISION VARIATIONS

HTV CYMRU/WALES: 12.57 pm-1.00 News of Wales. 6.00-6.25 Wales Today. 6.45-7.15 Heddiw. 11.47-12.07 am The Hope of Glory. Mass from St Luke's Church, Cardiff. 12.07 News and weather, SCOTLAND: 12.55 pm-1.00 The Scottish News. 6.00-6.25 Reorting Scotland. 10.50-11.15 Love is Old, Love in New (Part 3). 11.15-11.40 Pete Sorvers Entertains. 11.40 As Thames except: Starts 9.40 Beachcombers, 10.05 Mr Magoo, 10.10 incretible Hulk, 11.00-12.00 10.10 sicregole Hulk, 11.00-12.00 Sesame Street, 1.20 pm-1.30 News, 2.45 Fantasy Island, 3.45 History Makers: Galileo, 5.15-5.48 Private Benjamin, 6.00-6.35 News, 12.40 am Closedown is Old, Love in New (Part 3). 71.1511.40 Peis Seyers Entertains. 11.40
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1.45 News and weather. ENGLAND:
6.00 pm-6.25 Regional news
magazines. 6.45-7.15 East —
Changing Places. London and South HTV CYMRU/WALES

As HTV West except: 12.00-12.10 pm Ty Bach TWT, 4.15 Mr Merlin, 4.45-5.15 Doctor Snwgwl, 6.00 Y Dydd, 6.15-6.35 Report Wales.

GRANADA

As Thames except: 9.30 The Corul World. 10.15-12.00 Film; A doctor pride and joy is a hospital and he seeks nothing more from life then to look after it. 12.30 Play it Again. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30 Exchange Fleigs. 2.00 Crown Court. 2.30 Sound of Vince Hill. 2.45 Deeply regretted by: A woman's life is shattered by her husband's death. 6.00 This is Your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30-7.00 Granada Reports. 12.40 Closedowr

BORDER

As Thames except: Starts 9.35 am Sesame Street, 10,30-12.00 Film; Island of the Lost (Richard Greene). Anthropologist sets out on a perilous voyage in search of unchairted islands. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Bracker, 5.15-5.45 Rodio, 6.00-6.35 Lookaround. 12.40 am News. 12.43

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es except: Starts 9.40 First Tring. 9.45 New Avengers. 10.35 Stingray. 11.00-12.00 Sesame Street. 1.20-1.30 News. 2.45-3.45 Trapper John. 5.15-5.45 Survival. 6.00-6.35 North Tonight. 12.40 News. 12.45

ANGLIA

As Trames except: 9.30 am Larry the Lamb. 9.45 Rocket Robin Hood. 10.10 Lamb, 9-45 Rocket Robin Hood, 10.10 Call it Macaroni, 10.35 New Fred and Barney Show, 11.00 Yarzan, 11.50-12.00 Wattoo, Wattoo, 1.20 pen-1.30 News, 2.45-3.45 Trapper John, 5.15-5.45 Happy Days, 6.00-6.35 About Anglia, 12.40 am Davidson File and Closedown.

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As Thames except: Starts 9,20 Good Word, 9,25 News, 9,30 Vikings of the Sunrise, 10,15 Kum Kum, 10,35 Cartoon, 10,45 Hopelong Cassidy, 11,50-12,00 Selty and Jake, 1,20-1,30 News, 2,45-3,45 Love Boat, 5,15-5,45 Private Benjamin, 6,00 News, 6,02

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Unitamed World. 10.00 Animated
Classics: Moby Dick. 10.50
Beachcombers. 11.15 New Fred and
Barney Show. 11.40-12.00 European
Folk Tales. 1.20 pm-1.30 News. 2.45
3.45 Trapper John. 5.15 Radio. 5.30
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News. 2.45-3.45 Trapper John. 5.15
Gus Honeybun. 5.20-5.45 Crossroads. 6.00 Today South West, 6.30 Tele Views, 6.40-7.00 Sportsweek, 12.4 Sun Dancing, 12.46 Closedown.

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As Inames except: Starts 12.00-12.10 Munch Burch, 1.20-1.30 Lunchtime. 2.45-3.45 Young Ramsay. 5.15 Radio. 5.30-5.45 Good Evening Ulster. 6.20-6.35 Hope Eternal. 12.40 am News at Bodtime, followed by Closedown.

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Oueen's Bench Division

The meaning of 'dishonestly'

Regina v Ghosh

Before Lord Lane, Lord Chief Justice, Mr Justice Lloyd and Mr Justice Eastham

Justice Eastham

Judgment delivered April 5]

The law on the meaning of "dishonestly" in the Theft Act 1968, was in a complicated state and, instead of seeking to reconcile irreconcilable authorities with great diffidence and, instead of seeking to oreconcile irreconcilable authorities with great diffidence. When R v Mcluor (The Times, November 18, 1981; [1982] I WLR 409) came before the Court of 1968, was in a complicated state and their Lordships embarked on an examination of the authorities with great diffidence. When R v Mcluor (The Times, November 18, 1981; [1982] I WLR 409) came before the Court of and not for the judge; (2) that the problem of accertaining the meaning was proposed by the Court of Appeal.

The Lord Chief Justice was the law on that branch of the problem of the part of the purpose of section 1 of the 1968 Act.

However, what Feely actually decided was (1) that it was for the person charged acted dishonestly and not for the judge; (2) that the word "dishonestly" could relate only to the defendant's own state of mind; and (3) that it was a unnecessary and undesirable for honesty for the purposes of the suthorities with great diffidence. When R v Mcluor (The Times, 1981; [1982] I wLR 409) came before the Court of decided was (1) that it was for the person charged acted dishonestly and not for the judge; (2) that the word "dishonestly" could relate only to the defendant's own state of mind, and (3) that it was a unnecessary and undesirable for honesty for the purposes of the suthorities with great diffidence. When R v Mcluor (The Times, 1981; [1982] I wLR 409) came before the Court of decided was (1) that it was for the person charged acted dishonestly and not for the judge; (2) that the word "dishonestly" could relate only to the defendant's own state of mind, and (3) that it was a unnecessary and undesirable for honesty for the purpose of the person charged acted dishonestly and not for the judge;

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The Lord Chief Justice was reading a reserved judgment dismissing an appeal by Deb Baran Ghosh, a surgeon, of Skeena Hill, Wandsworth, London, against conviction at St Albans Crown Court (Judge Anwyl-Davies, QC) on four counts of an indictment: attempting to procure the execution of a cheque by deception, contrary to section 20(1) of the 1968 Act, and attempting to obtain, and obtaining, money by deception, contrary to section 15. He was fined \$250 on each count with a term of imprisonment in default of payment.

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the Registrar of Criminal Appeals, for the appellant; Mr John
Drinkwater, OC and Mr Anthony
Glass for the Crown.

The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said The LORD CHIEF JUSTICE said that the appellant was acting as a locum tenens consultant at a hospital. The counts alleged that he had falsely represented that he had himself carried out a surgical operation to terminate pregnancy or that money was due to himself or an amesthetist for such an operation when in fact such an operation when in fact the operation had been carried out by someone else and / or under the National. Health Service provisions.

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His defence was that there was no deception: that the sums paid to him were due for consultation fees which were legitimately payable under the regulations, or the halance of feet payable where the balance of fees properly payable — in other words, that there was nothing dishonest about his behaviour on

The effect of the jury's verdict was, on count 1, that he had falsely represented that he had carried out a surgical operation and had intended dishonestly to obtain money thereby; as to the second count that he had falsely pretended that an operation had been carried out under the NHS; as to the third count that he had falsely pretended that money was falsely pretended that money was due to an anaesthetist; and as to the fourth count, that he had obtained money by falsely pretending that an operation had been carried on a fee present been carried out on a fee-paying basis when in fact it had been conducted under the terms of the NHS.

The ground of appeal was simply that the judge misdirected the jury as to the meaning of

ventured to call, subjective, that is, the jury should be directed to look into the mind of the person charged and determine whether he knew he was acting dishonestly: R v Landy ([1981] I WLR 355). On the other hand there were cases which decided that the test of dishonesty was objective, for example R v Greenstein ([1975] I WLR 1933).

WLR 1353).
In Mcluor the Court of Appeal
those con-In Mclvor the Court of Appeal sought to reconcile those conflicting lines of authority. They did so on the basis that the subjective test was appropriate where the charge was conspiracy to defraud, but in the case of theft the test should be objective. The question which their Lordships in the present case had to decide was, first, whether the distinction suggested in Mclvor was justifiable in theory, and second, whether it was workable in practice.

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His Lordship considered Scott v. Metropolitan Police Commissioner ([1975] AC 819) and stated that nothing in that case supported the view that, so far as dishonesty was concerned, "theft is in a different category from conspiracy to defraud". Further, nothing in Landy itself justified putting theft and conspiracy to defraud into different categories—which was clear from a reference to R v Feely ([1973] QB 530).

The difficulty with section 15 was that dishonesty came in twice — "(1) A person who by any deception, dishonestly obtains property ...". If a person knew that he was not telling the truth he was guity of dishonesty. Indeed, deliberate deception was one of the two most obvious forms of dishonesty. One wondered, therefore, whether "dishonestly" in section 15(1) added anything, except in the case of reckless deception.

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case of reckless deception.

As a result of McIvor, if "dishonestly" added anything, the consequences could not be regarded as satisfactory from a practical point of view. In seeking to reconcile the two lines of authority, the Court of Appeal in McIvor was seeking to reconcile the irreconcilable. It therefore fell to their Lordships either to choose between the two lines of authority or to propose some other solution.

judges to derine what was analy by "dishonestly".

The heart of the problem was: was "dishonestly" in section 1 intended to characterize a course of conduct? Or was it intended to describe a state of mind? If, as their Lordships thought, it was intended to describe a state of mind, then the knowledge and belief of the person charged were at the root of the problem.

Take for example a man who

Take for example a man who came from a country where public transport was free. On his first day here he travelled on a bus. He got off without paying. He never had any intention of paying. His mind was clearly honest; but his conduct, judged objectively by what he had done, was dishonest. Parliament could not have intended to catch dishonest conduct in that sense, that is, conduct to which no moral obloquy could possibly attach. Take for example a man who

If their Lordships were right that "dishonestly" was something in the mind of the person charged, if his mind was honest, it could not be deemed dishonest merely because members of the jury would have regarded it as dishonest to embark on that course of conduct.

There remained the objection that, to adopt a subjective test, was to abandon all standards but was to abandon an standards but that of the person charged and to bring about a state of affairs in which "Robin Hood would be uo robber". That objection misun-derstood the nature of the

It was no defence for a man to say "I knew that what I was doing was generally regarded as dishonest; but I do not regard it as dishonest myself. Therefore I am not guilty".

am not guilty".

However, what he was entitled to say was "I did not know that anybody would regard what I was doing as dishonest". He might not be believed; just as he might not be believed if he set up a "claim of right" under section 2(1) of the 1968 Act or asserted that he believed in the truth of a misrepresentation under section 15. But if he was believed, or raised a real doubt about the matter, the jury could not be

dishonest by those standards, that was the end of the matter and the prosecution failed.

If it was dishonest by those standards, there the jury had to consider whether the person charged himself must have realized that what he was doing was by those standards dishonest. In most cases, where the actions were obviously dishonest by ordinary standards, there would be no doubt about it. It would be not not increase of only fill per week. The decision to offer an o

was acting dishonestly.

It was dishonest for a person charged to act in a way which he knew ordinary people considered to be dishonest, even if he asserted or genuinely believed that he was morally justified in acting as he had acted. For example, Robin Hood, or those ardent anti-vivisectionists who

So far as concerned the

So far as concerned the present case, once the jury had rejected the appellant's account in respect of each count (as they plainly had) the finding of dishonesty was inevitable whichever of the tests of dishonesty was applied. If the judge had asked the jury to determine whether the appellant might have believed that what he had done was in accordance with the ordinary man's idea of honesty, there could have been only one answer - and that was "No" — once the jury had rejected the appellant's explanation of what had happened.

In so far as there had been a

in so har as there had been a misdirection on the meaning of dishonesty, it was plainly a case for upholding the conviction by application of the proviso to section 2(1) of the Criminal Appeal Act 1968 and accordingly the appeal was dismissed. Solicitors: DPP.

Regina v Garner and Others Jupp) said in the Court of Appeal

Reasons delivered April 2]

The GLC retained a strategic housing responsibilty in respect of properties transferred to London boroughs under the Greater London Council (Transfer of Land and Housing Accommodation) Orders 1980 and 1981 (SI 1980 No 320 and SI 1981 No 289). It was permissible for the GLC to determine alternative deemed rents under the orders and the GLC's policy of harmonization of rents of transferred and existing stock within a borough

calculation of the net revenue

that he was morally justified in acting as he had acted. For example, Robin Hood, or those ardent anti-vivisectionists who removed animals from vivisection laboratories, were acting dishonestly even though they might consider themselves to be morally justified in doing what they did, because they knew that ordinary people would consider those actions to be dishonest.

Cases which might be described as borderline, such as Boggein v Williams ([1978] 1 WLR 873) would depend on the jury's view of whether the person charged might have believed what he was doing was in accordance with the ordinary man's idea of honesty.

So far as concerned the

MR JUSTICE McNEILL said that Kensington applied for judicial review of decisions of the GLC in their budgeting process leading to the issue of the precept. Kensington sought declaratory relief and relief by way of prerogative writ in respect of decisons to budget for a transferred property deficit and a special contingency balance.

Dealing with the transferred property deficit first, the GLC decided that "the deemed rent of transferred stock be increased by £2.50 a week for the purpose of calculation of the net revenue calculation of the net revenue deficit contribution by the council except that where an appropriate certificate is pro-vided on behalf of a particular borough that it is willing to comply with conditions relating its own and transferred stock to its own and transferred stock deemed increase shall only be £1 per dwelling per week ... That

Sentencing violent burglars

in McDoor was seeking to matter, the jury could not be reconcile the irreconcilable. It therefore fiell to their Lordships either to choose between the two lines of authority or to propose some other solution.

His Lordship considered R v Waterfall (1970) 1 QB 148), R v Waterfall (1970) 1 WLR 1764) and R v Gilks (1972) 1 WLR 1341) and stated that Reely was often (Criminal Division) on April I. In these days of equality of the

orders made under section 23 of the London Government Act 1963. The transferred property deficit was the difference payable to the transferee authority by the GLC under the orders which was collected by way of a precept. In order to calculate the deficit, the GLC were required to determine the deemed rent increase of the transferred property. Kensington contended that the GLC had no power under the orders to offer an option to take up alternative rents and that determination was a breach of fiduciary duty and not reasonably made, since it was discriminatory.

The scope within which irregularity based on discrimination within the fiduciary duty of a local authority or within the Wednesbury principle was very limited in the absence of statute. Bearing in mind that the present case was concerned with local authority housing subsidised by both the taxpayer and the ratepayer, his Lordship should find it very difficult to find illigality based on discrimination except m a very strong case. Bearing in mind that the present case was concerned with local authority housing subsidised by both the taxpayer and the ratepayer, his Lordship should find it very difficult to find illigality based on discrimination except in a very strong case.

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His Lordship found that on a proper construction of the orders, a different determination, within the maximum permitted by the secretary of state, for each borough was permissible and if differing increases could be offered, the discrimination was statutorily permissible. The order did not require a determination of deemed rent increase which was the same in every London borough.

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nominate tenants to transferred property and retained responsibility for works of rehabilisation.

The GLC retained a general strategic responsibility for Greater London housing. Since they had a housing responsibility and had acted reasonably and genumely in pursuing housing purposes, there was no scope for illegality by discrimination even if the effects might advantage or disadvantage those affected un-

Political use of courts deplored

remedy was in the hands of the electorate. It was only when illegality could be established that judicial review could be appropriately sought.

The impropriety of coming to the court when political capital was sought to be made could not be over strated.

were or felt constrained to file affidavits which demonstrated a political purpose.

"His Lordship accepted that it was proper for the GLC to assess the consequences of future legislation when budgeting for its annual remurement and to make legislation when budgeting for its annual requirement and to make provision by way of the special contingency balance. The GLC paid full attention to professional and legal advice. Kensington, after reading the GLC's affidavit, should have realised that there really was no point of law in relation to the special contingence.

relation to the special contin-gency balance.

As a matter of discretion, his Lordship would have declined to gram the relief sought. To quash the precept and to deprive the GLC of the funds necessary to provide for the legitimate needs of Greater London would have been outrageous: the more so having regard to the proportion borne by the disputed items to the total precept and to the fact that any surplus could have been absorbed by or compensated for the trace-time the preceding. in the precept in succeeding

years.

To grant declaratory relief without quashing the precept would have been wholly without point save perhaps in giving some politician a catch phrase and he would not add judicial authority that end, nor would it be a to that end, nor would it be a legitimate exercise of judicial authority.
Solicitors: Mr Andrew Colvin;
Mr J. R. Fitzpatrick.

Immigration and dependency

Regina v Immigration Appeal Tribunal, Ex parte Patel Mr Justice McNeill, in the Queen's Bench Division on April 5, quashed a decision of the immigration Appeal Tribunal allowing an entry clearance officer's appeal that an immigration of the control of t orther's appeal that an immi-grant widow was not entitled to an entry clearance certificate.

HIS LORDSHIP said that the tribunal, in deciding whether the widow was "mainly dependent" upon a son settled in the United Kingdom under paragraph 45 of

Kingdom under paragraph 45 of the Statement of Immigration Rules for Control On Entry: Commonwealth Citizens (HC 79); failed to recognize that her dependency, consisting of £15 per month and free accommo-dation, was a necessary part of her subsistence which her other sources were insufficient to cover.

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Inner-city grant scheme seeks to raise £250m

By David Walker, Local Government Correspondent

Secretary of State for the yesterday announced an experimental set of grants which could, if the American example on which they are based works in Britain, produce more projects worth between £70m than £250m of new invest- and £100m are being atment in inner urban districts.

The Government will re-serve £70m of its urban programme for 1983-84 for projects initiated by councils in which the private sector cooperates in house-building, reclaiming derelict land or constructing shops and offices. "There are no rules", Mr Heseltine said yesterday, meaning that any cooperative scheme between public and private sectors would be considered by a team of officials and busi-

The new scheme is one of the first fruits of the group of young financial managers appointed by Mr Heseltine last autumn to advise him on urban regeneration. Mr Heseltine and his officials are aware that the coming weekend is the anniversary of the street violence in Brixton, from which the Government's renewed interest in urban problems has

Mr Heseltine's new grants, for which bids will be asked for by September, require councils and firms to work together to "make a signifi-cant impact on the areas concerned and contribute to improving the local enonomic '. Companies must presumably expect to profit, too. The idea of levering private finance into inner urban projects comes from the

Mr Michael Heseltine, United States, which the minister's advisory team has visited.

Leverage has already been tried on a smaller scale by Mr Heseltine. He claimed yesterday that development tracted to inner-city areas by spending just over £10m of public money on special grants for land reclamation.

The new grants are intended to benefit 43 areas, designated under the Inner Urban Areas Act, 1978, and including Liverpool. where Mr Heseltine has invested a large amount of time in recent months, Birmingham, Manchester, Newcastle upon Type and parts of London. "I propose to invite local

ment projects in cooperaion with private interests," Mr. Heseltine said. "To encour-age the most imaginative projects to come forward, I am placing no restrictions on the type of project that can be submitted for grant. They may be industrial, commer-cial, housing or recreational schemes or a combination."

Mr Heseltine emphasized that there were no "instant, generalized solutions" to the problems of the inner cities. His advisory team had pro-duced a ferment of ideas. It is understood that these include big firms "sponsor-ing" a district and the banks

encouraging business, especially those ethnic minorities, and supporting them with loans. Mr Heseltime said he refused to announce any grandiose schemes which would needlessly inflate people's expec-

Hug an Indian tree

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Almost everywhere contractors have gone beyond the legal limits of felling with the connivance of administrators who are easily paid off. So-called virgin forests, meant to remain untouched, have also been pillaged. Road building in hill areas has provided easier access for Contractors are important

contributors to political funds. But the desperate

felling, considered a bold step in view of the strength of the contractors' lobby.

The national government has drafted a bill which, if enacted, would enable the authorities to declare forests protected areas, down to the

But critics point out that enforcement of the law would lie with the very officials now in the pay of contractors. Just as importantly they say that the trib. antly, they say that the tribal inhabitants of forests would condition of the forests in suffer because aspects of Himachal Pradesh has forced their traditional way of life, the state government to gathering fruit and firewood, impose a ban on contract would be made illegal.



THE TIMES

Mrs Esther de Waal, wife of the Dean of Canterbury, the Very Rev Victor de Waal, pouring tea for her husband in a deanery room to be used for entertaining the Pope

Nurses refused arbitration in pay dispute By Annabel Ferriman

Nurses are now likely to be

balloted on the Government's 6.4 per cent pay offer after yesterday's refusal by health service employers to go to arbitration. Leaders of Britain's

460,000 nurses met the management side of the health service in the Whitley Council yesterday and pressed for the pay dispute to go to an independent tribunal, but the independent tribunal, but the talks broke down. The nurses are seeking a 12 per cent pay deal. Mr Dacid Williams, leader

of the staff side and assistant general secretary of the Confederation of Health Service Employees, said yesterday: "We think arbitration is the only way of saving us all a lot of bother."

A ballot would gauge nurses' feelings on the offer and ask them what action should now be taken. The staff side of the council will meet again on April 23 to

— photographs by Gene Cox with John Forsdyke and Kate Powell, The Octagon, Milsom Street, Bath; Mon to Sat 10 to 4.45; (from today until May 15).

Paintings by George C Morri

Rest and recreation role for Canberra

Before the Elk sails tomor-

row, the 45,000-ton P and O Atlantic.

luxury accommodation, They are not all that con-usually takes 1,750 paying cerned about the danger." passengers and could now Sources admitted yesterday take 5,000 troops if required. that HMS Illustrious, sister

Continued from page 1 lances and Royal Army
Ordnance Corps personnel as transporters bearing mili. The ministry has also tary bridging equipment, indicated that she might be communications packages used as a hospital ship and to and generators moved into provide rest, and recent the docks. for tired troops on location in the uncomfortable South

Canberra's crew, in conthird biggest of its kind in trast to some, seemed quite the world, should have re enthusiastic over the prosturned from its world cruise pect. Mr. Malcolm Bailey,
before setting to sea again branch secretary of the
for the South Atlantic. One. National Union of Seamen, report yesterday suggested who sailed on the Queen that a helicopter flight deck Mary himself when she would be fitted before she carried troops during the last war, said:

"British seamen are prob-The Canberra, with its "British seamen are prob-swimming pool, bars, cinema, ably more loyal to this promenada, games deck and country than anyone else.

So far the only troops ship of invincible, and now known to be sailing on her on her sea trials, is having are, in addition to the 3rd her programme accelerated battalion of the Parachute — but denied a suggestion Regiment, other supporting that she was being rushed off units including Field Ambu. to the Falkland Islands.

Brittan tries to stop City jitters By Our Parliamentary

Correspondent Mr Leon Brittan, Chief

Secretary to the Treasury, in a move clearly designed to steady the jittery nerves of the stock market and foreign exchanges, assured the Commons yesterday that the costs of the Falklands opertion would require no change in the Government's basic

Mr Brittan, opening the second reading debate on the Finance Bill, may have brought some solace to the City, but not to Mr Peter Shore, the shadow Chancels or. While accepting Mr Brit-

tan's statement that it was too early to say what expen-diture would be incurred, Mr. Shore gave a warning that if the implication of Mr Britan's words was that spending in departments other than defence would be reduced to pay for the action, that would be unacceptables to the Opposition to the Opposition.

Frank Johnson in the Commons

Mrs Thatcher sails into battle without an escort

time and the previous one last Thursday, the world had fatefully changed for Mrs Magaraet Thatcher, and the fact showed.

She had about her an almost visible aura of being alone. If things go well in the South Atlantic she will have a House full of friends, followers who were with her right from the beginning. If it is fierce, or worse, the corridors will be abuzz with realists who knew from the start that this adventure was madness. But yesterday wewere in that strange interlude between triumph and hedging their bets.

Last Thursday she had been a Prime Minister whose fortunes were fain-tly, but perceptibly, turning for the better. At Hillhead, her candidate had been by no means humiliated. The opinion polls were begin-ning to move her way. She had had no trouble at the dispatch box that day. For an average Prime

Minister's question time the Minister's question time the House is well-attended, but not full. Yesterday it was full. The Peers' Gallery, a good guide how much interest the Commons is arousing at any given moment was crowded. Among their Lordships, the aged, the embittered, the patriots, the sympathetic, the worried, the simply curious or the half crazed all gazed down on the beleaguered commoner from Grantham

She slipped into her place on the front beach while Social Service ministers meandered towards the end of their questions. There were some exchanges about the death grant. That in this month's cause among the compassionate classes. The grant is still too low apparently. Either that, or people should not have to die in order to qualify. Or it should also be paid on behalf of the living so as to make it a life grant. Who knows the precise complaint is? Or cares.

Mr John Silkin, the Shadow Secretary for De-fence, lowered himself into his seat on the Opposition front bench opposite her, and began silently to coze strategems. Mr Ernie Heffer squeezed in beside him.
Into the small space remaining at the top of the bench,
the Labour Chief Whip Mr. Cocks, almost as ample a

In between yesterday's figure as the other two, Prime Ministerial question determinedly forced himdeterminedly forced him-

> The frail form of Mr Michael Foot seemed to emerge from under Mr Silkin's armpit. The Prime Minister rose. In the second of silence before she embarked on her first answer, the Scots left winger Mr Canavan shouted: "Resign!" The cry was taken up by the Labour benches, pierced by the high cackle of another left winger, Mr Winnick. When the noise subsided. Mrs Thatcher launched into an answer to two Tories about British Leyland, Labour remained silent. The second question on the order paper was about President Reagan's visit to Britain, and would afford greater oppor-

The question about the visit came from Mr Cryer, an ally of Mr Benn's, a bater of Mrs Thatcher. She was trying to use the visit to "cover up her failing position", he said. He added that "even President Rea-gan" had called for a peaceful solution to this crisis. Someone else should receive Mr Reagan. She should resign Mrs Thatcher welcomed Mr Reagan as erty in the West and liberty in the world. A Tory backbencher showed his neighbour the London evening paper, with news of Mu Reagan's desire to mediate between his "two allies". We are being equated with Argentina, it seemed. Ontin-

Mr Foot made his first move. Were these reports true that we knew well in advance of Argetina's inten-tions? Mrs Thatcher in effect denied it. Several times Mr Foot persisted times Mr Foot persisted.
Mrs Thancher struggled through further denials, amid Labour glee. But her backbenchers looked on.
They believed that we did indeed know, that she had not been told, and that the rules of politics forbade saving so. saying so.

The opposition knew this too, particularly the cleve-rest or most cynical. Still, it was a good issue for them at this early stage. So there was an air of make-believe about those opening exchanges of the crisis, perhaps for the last time. Mrs Thatcher gathered up her papers quickly and last the Chamber on her own.

THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

Today's events.

Royal engagements new Sony factory at Bridgend, S. Wales, 11. Princess Margaret attends gala

performance by Sadler's Wells Royal Ballet, of which she is President, in aid of Wells Cathedral, Hippodrome Theatre,

Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester, opens Rockingham Castle and the Naval Connection exhibition, Rockingham Castle, Leicestershire, 2.45. The Duchess of Kent opens

new surgery at Burnham Market, Norfolk, 3.

Princess Alexandra takes The Lord High Admiral's Divisions, Britannia Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, 11.30.

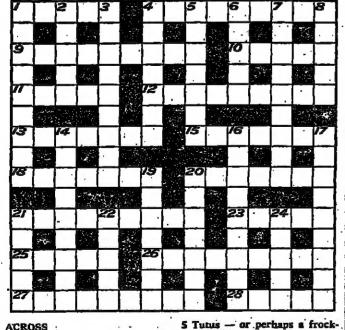
Wakefield; Mon to Sat 12.30 to 5.30; (from today until May 16).

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Work by Craigie Aitchison, Portsmouth City Museum and Art Gallery, Museum Road, Old Portsmouth; Mon to Sun 10.30 to 5.30: (from today until May 16).

Drawings and sculpture by Ronald Rae, Rozelle House Museum, Rozelle Park, Ayr, Mon to Sat 11 to 1 and 2 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (from today until May 2). Also sculpture by Henry Moore, from today until April 25.

The Times Crossword Puzzle No 15,800



6 A pine ahead (5).

Pigment both light and very

8 This devoted old husband in

"————s don't become a young woman," said Mrs. Malaprop (9).

Chinatown, say? (5).

16 Jones as a pace-setter (9).

17 With serious intent, home

in before time (9).

19 It's free — could be a catch

20 Things usually done by

blighter to capture cat (7).

Snaps the bays, we hear (5).

22 A French artist to worship

24 Earl has one variety of gazelle

Solution of Puzzle No 15,799

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(5).

- I Got tight when beaten (5). Wine's capital, attacked those who did so (9). 9 Tow a number of rows in song for the British one (9).
- 10 Formerly, not knowing about 11 The Divine Mrs Abraham? (5). 12 What strict examiners may do to farm lad (9).
- 13 Old man gets about round Sark, etc (7). 15 In sound, a horse has carrying capacity (7).
- 18 The stripper's old problem? 20 Splendid specimen seen in the slag-heap (7).
- 21 Rails round unusually clean Man welcome to swell up (5). 25 Poet joins newsmen in Russia.
- with love (5). essential point (9). 27 Feel smaller, and foolish (9).

28 Get better fish, about fifty

pounds (5).

- 1 Member's out of time to do house business (9). 2 Pure, if plain (5). 3 Eternal trouble with these
- 4 Defeat most fancied dog (7).

Vew exhibitions

Work by Frank Matcham, theatre architect and designer, Wakefield Museum, Wood Street,

Exhibitions in progress The royal wedding dress and presents, Civic Centre, New-castle-upon-Tyne; Mon to Sat 9.30 to 5.30, Sun 12 to 5 (until April 25)

son and Desmond Turner, Cleft Art Gallery, Bridge Street, Ouagh, N Ireland; Mon to Sat 1

to 4, closed Wed (until April 30).
Paintings and drawings by Sue
and Malciom Davies, City Museum, Market Square, Lancaster
Mon to Sat 10 to 5 (until April
A) Indian Monuments through Indian Monuments
British Eyes, 1780-1980, aquatints
by the Daniells and others,
Adeane Gullery, Fitzwilliam

Adeane Gallery, Fitzwilliam Museum, Cambridge; Tues to Sat 10 to 4.50, Sun 2.15 to 4.50 (until

April 25).

Pioneers of Flight, Corinium Museum, Park Street, Cirencester; Toes to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5; (until April 25).

Paintings by Rossina Conroy, Lewis Textile Museum, Exchange Street, Blackburn, Mon to Sat 9.30 to 6; (until April 24).

Picasso Prints Edinburgh Printmakers Workshop, 29 Market Street, Edinburgh: Mon to Sat 10 to 5.30; (until April 17).

Inner Worlds, selected by Paul Overy, sculptures, paintings, and

Overy, sculptures, paintinas, and drawings E M. Finit Gallery, Walsalt, Mon Fri 10 to 6. Sat 10 to 4.45; (until April).

Drawings by Jan Ingleby and lithographs by Angela Thorpe, Oriel 31 High Street, Welshpool; Mon to Sat 11 to 5; (until April 15.

Paintings by Gillian Ayres, Third Eye Centre, 350 Sauchie hall Street, Glasgow; Tues to Sat 10 to 5.30, Sun 2 to 5.30; (until April 17).

Music Music
Concert by Scottish ChamberOrchestra, Usher Hall, Lothian,
Road, Edinburgh, 7.45.
Concert by British Railways
Lincoln Male Voice Choir,
Metheringham Village Hall, Lincolnshire, 7.33.
Concert by Bouruemouth
Symphony Orchestra, Colston
Rall, Colston Street, Bristol, 7.30.
Gala performance by Sadlers
Wells Royal Ballet, Hippodrome,
Bristol, 7.30.

Fristol, 7.30.
Concert by Orchestra of St John's Smith Square, Hexagon, Reading, 7.30.

Talks, lectures Talk and demonstration on Ukrainian Easter customs and egg decorating, by Mrs Witos-zynska, Museum and Art Gallery, Chequer Road, Doncaster, 2 to

Anniversaries

music historian, was born at Shrewsbury, 1726; and William Wordsworth at Cockermeuth, Cumberland, 1770.

Charles Burney, composer and

Parliament today Commons (2.30): Debate on the Lords (11): Legal Aid Bill, report. (Amenoment) (Scotland) third reading Debate on Poland and the Helsinki Declar-

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- (22.90m) Coronation Granada (17.95m) 3 This is Your Life, Thames
- (17.80m) Coronation Street (Mon) (16m) 3-2-1, Yorkshire (15m)
- Family (14.90m) Fortunes, Central Gatter, Yorkshire The Galler Yorkshire (13.50m)
 Mind Your Language, LWT (13.30m)
- Minder, Thames (13.20m)
 Crossroads, Central (Tues) 10=Crossroads (Wed) (12.95m)
- BBC 1 Top of the Pops (13.30m) Dallas (12.95m) The Kenny Everett Television Show (12.35m)
- Escape from Zahram (11.85m) Shoestring (11.60m) A Song for Europe 82 (11.20m)
- 6=Holiday (11.20m) A Question of Sport (10.35m) News & Sport, Saturday (10.10m) 10 Jim'll Fix it (10m)
- 1 Pot Black 82 (8.25m)
 2 Marti Caine (8.95m)
 3 One Man and His Dog (7.40m)
 4 The Mike Harding Show
- Nancy Astor (Wed & Sun) (6.25m)
- The African Queen (5.95m) Russell Harty (Tues) (5.60m) Seven Days in May (5.20m) The Waltons (4.95m) MASH (4.35m)

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to old eastbound carriageway. Richmond Park: Roadworks at Richmond Park: Roadworks at Rochampton Gate; congestion at Robin Hood Gate and A3 expected. A25: Eastbound diversion around Dorking town centre; very long delays. A40: Oxford northern by-pass completely closed in places;

pletely closed in places; diversions.
Midlands: A5: Width restrictions at Kilsby and Cowellbend, Northamptonshire. A57: Roadworks and temporary signals at Snake Pass, Derbyshire. A1: Only hard shoulder open southbound between junction 26 (Nottingham) and Trowell service area.
North: A5117: Temporary

ham) and Trowell service area.

North: A5117: Temporary lights between Hapsford and Dunkirk, N of Chester. A6079: Roadworks on Station Road, Hexham. A1: Roadworks near Ellingham and Berwick-upon-Tweed; also at Barnsdale Bar and Red House; (S Yorkshire).

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Bristol. A465: Closed southbound at Llandarcy, W Clamorgan. A38: Width reductions at Broad Quay and St Augustine's Parade, Bristol.

Scotland: M90: Closed northbound between junctions 5 (Glenrothes) and 6 (Kinross); diversions. M8: Lane closures between junction 15 (Townhead) and 12 (Stirling). A93: Temporary signals at Dundee Road, Perth.

The papers "If Lord Carrington

devoted more time to the Faikland Islands and less to the Paikland Islands and less to the Common Market, he might still be Foreign Secretary today," says the Daily Mirror, but the paper goes on to urge the Labour Party to reverse its decision to leave Europe, which "could-damage hopes for a prosperous economy".

The Wall Street Journal said The Wall Street Journal said yesterday, that looking at attitudes to defence by past Labour governments and even some Conservative ministers, it is understandable why Argentina thought "Britain, would be an easy mark"

"The US has a strong interest in seeing British administration restored to the Falklands", said the Washington Post, "and so do many other nations, some of which recognize that interest and some of which do not".

"Lord Carrington came into politics, as an aristocrat and left it with the dignity of a lord". Le

politics, as an aristocrat and left it with the dignity of a lord". Le Monde, says, "but his realism and professionalism will be greatly missed in European affairs".

The Suddentsche Zeitung said Lord Carrington will be greatly missed after "Falkland fever" dies down; the Stuttgart Zeitung said "Thatther has lost the most successful pillar of her team".

Norwerian mewstengers

Norwegian newspapers reflected mixed views on the Falklands trisis: The Socialist Oslo Arbeiderbladet said: "Bitter it must be to admit, but Britain must be to admit, but Britain the Falklands must now consider the Falklands as lost, the Conservative Morgenbladet feels "the Islas Malvinas are located within Argentials." na's sphere of interest and should become a part of Argentina", but the Christian Democratic Yaart Land places blame for the conflict squarty "on the colourful epaulettes of the Argentine senarale"

ing SW Ireland, with associated troughs crossing most parts of the British Isles.

Weather

6 am to midnight London, SE, Central S, E, NW 35 Central N England, E Anglia, Midlands, N Wales, Isle of Man, N Ireland: Cloudy with outbreaks of rain, heavy in places; wind mainly moderate; max temp 13C (55F). Channel Islands, SW England, S.

Channel Islands, SW England, S. Wales: Cloudy with outbreaks of an in, heavy in places, becoming diesand brighter, wind SW, moderate to tresh; max temp 12C (54F).

Lake District, NE England Borders, SW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyli: Misty with fog patches at first, rain spreading from S. wand wariable, light; max temp 11C (52F).

Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdess, Central Highlands; Cloudy with outbreaks of rain, sunny hervals developing, wind variable, light; max temp 9C (48F).

Moray Firth, NE, NW Scotland, Orkney, Shetland; Sunny intervals.

Orkney, Shettand: Sunny intervals, becoming cloudier with outbreaks of rain later, wind variable, light, becoming NE; max temp 8C (487).

Outlook for tomorrow and Friday:

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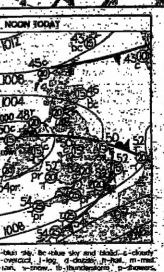
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Lighting-up time London 8.13 pm to 5.51 em Bristol 8 23 pm to 6.01 em Edinbergh 8.32 pm to 5.56 am Manchester 8.25 pm to 5.57 am Penzance 8.33 pm to 6.15 am

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